

Modeling Long-Term Historic Lake Stage Fluctuations for Lake MFL Assessments

Second of Three Presentations

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Today's Discussion

- Review of Last Presentation
- Introduction to LOC Regression to Produce a 60 Year Historic Record
- Present First LOC Model Lake Miona Based on Sharpes Ferry Well (Water Level Model)
- Present Lake Miona Model Based on Ocala Rainfall
 - Explanation of Rainfall Decay Series
- Comparison of the two Models
- Present Model of Sharpes Ferry Using Ocala Rain Gauge

Last Time We Discussed:

- MFL Terminology
 - Historic
 - Current
 - Structural Alteration
 - Long-Term
 - P10
 - P50
 - P90
 - Minimum Lake Level
 - High Minimum Lake Level
 - High Guidance Level
- Analysis of Long-Term
- Lake Stage Fluctuation Statistics Used to Set Lake Minimum Levels
 - Perfect World Example
- Tying Climate and Minimum Lake Levels Together

Structural Alteration:

- Change to the conveyance system of the lake that changes the lake stage fluctuation in a measurable manner.
- Usually, but not always, it involves a change to the outlet of the lake.
- Can include downstream alterations that result in tail water effects.
- Can include up stream changes that either increase or decrease flow to the lake.
- We recognize sinkholes during compliance evaluation, but usually don't set the level based on them.

Historic

1. Period with no measurable groundwater or withdrawal impacts
2. Structural conditions same as now
4. No Augmentation

Current

1. ~~No~~ Groundwater or withdrawal impacts
2. Structural conditions same as now
3. No Augmentation

Minimum Lake Levels are Long-Term Percentiles

- Minimum Lake level is the Historic P50 minus some offset.

MLL represents a new P50 value

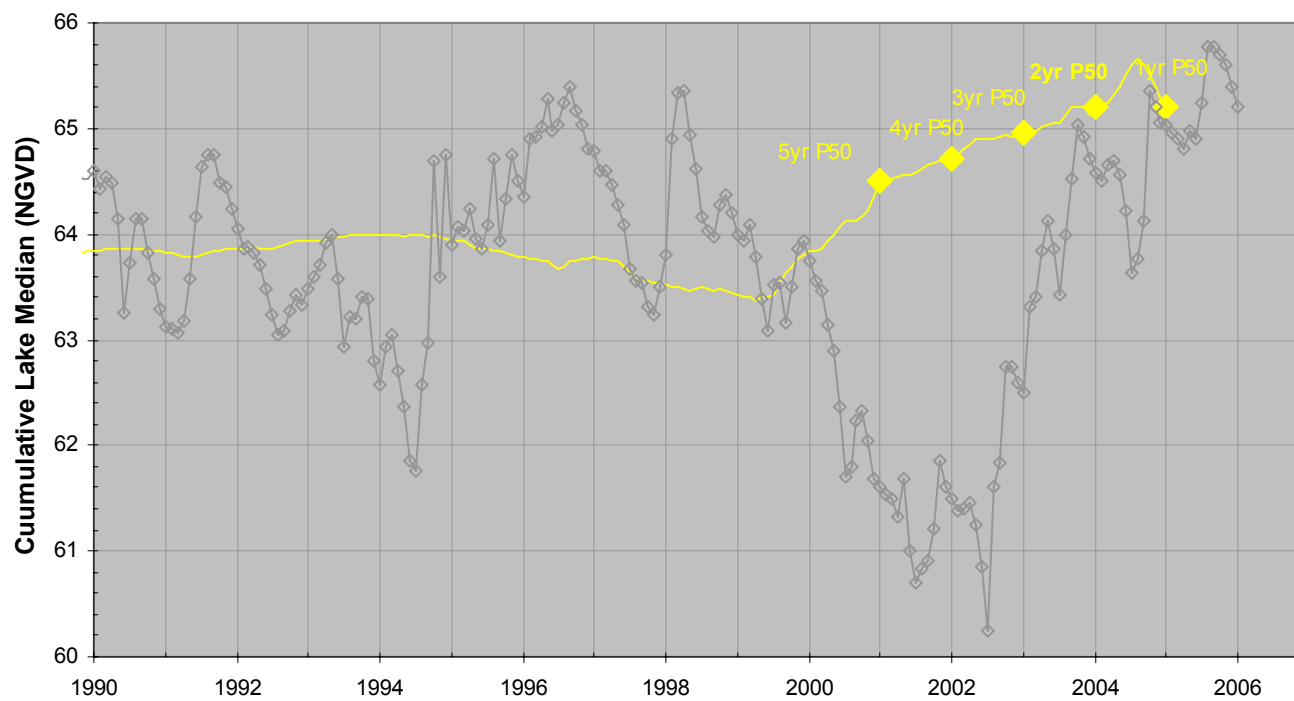
- High Minimum Lake Level is the Historic P10 minus some offset.

HMLL represents a new P10 value

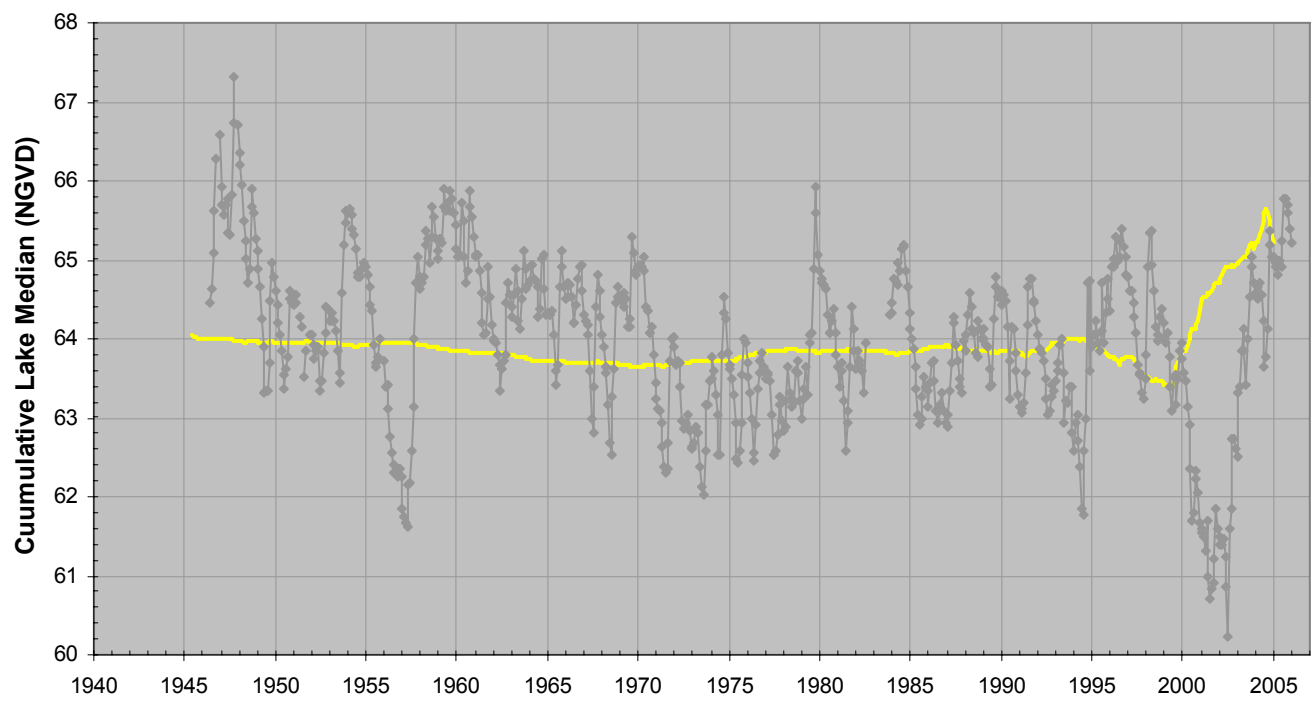
- High Guidance Level is the Historic P10 (i.e. no offset)

HGL = Historic P10

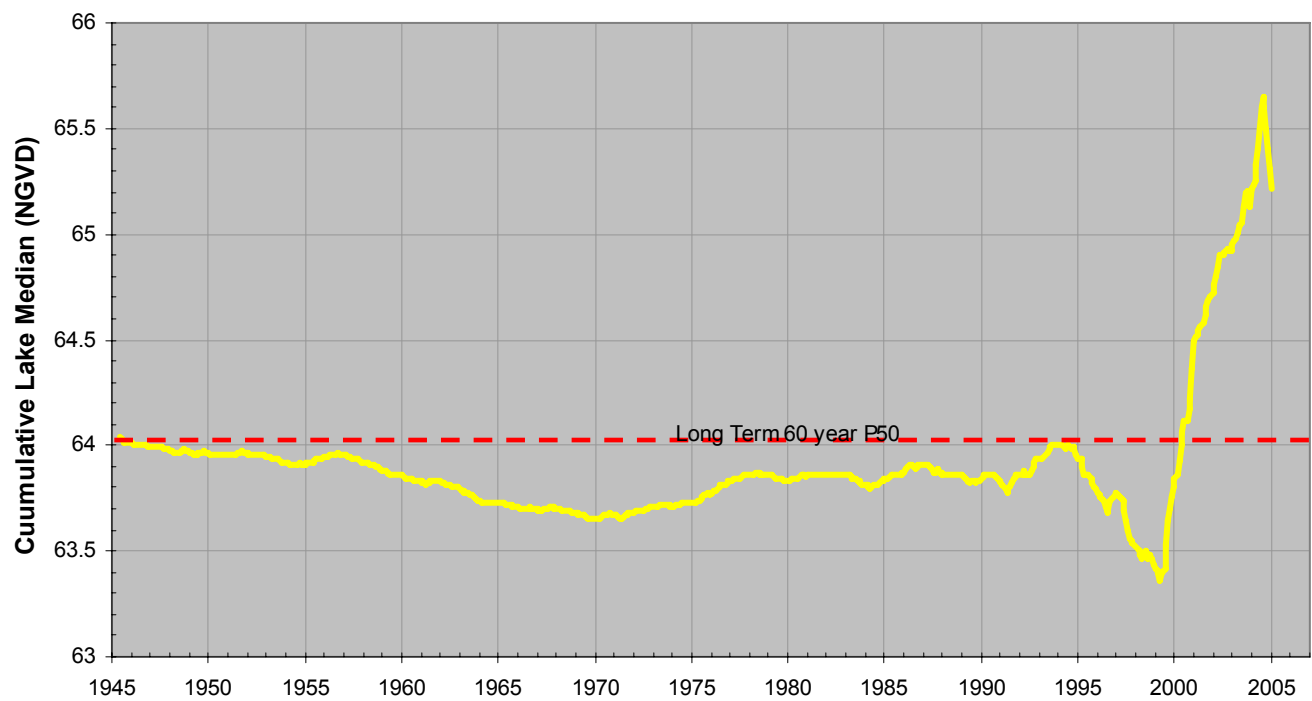
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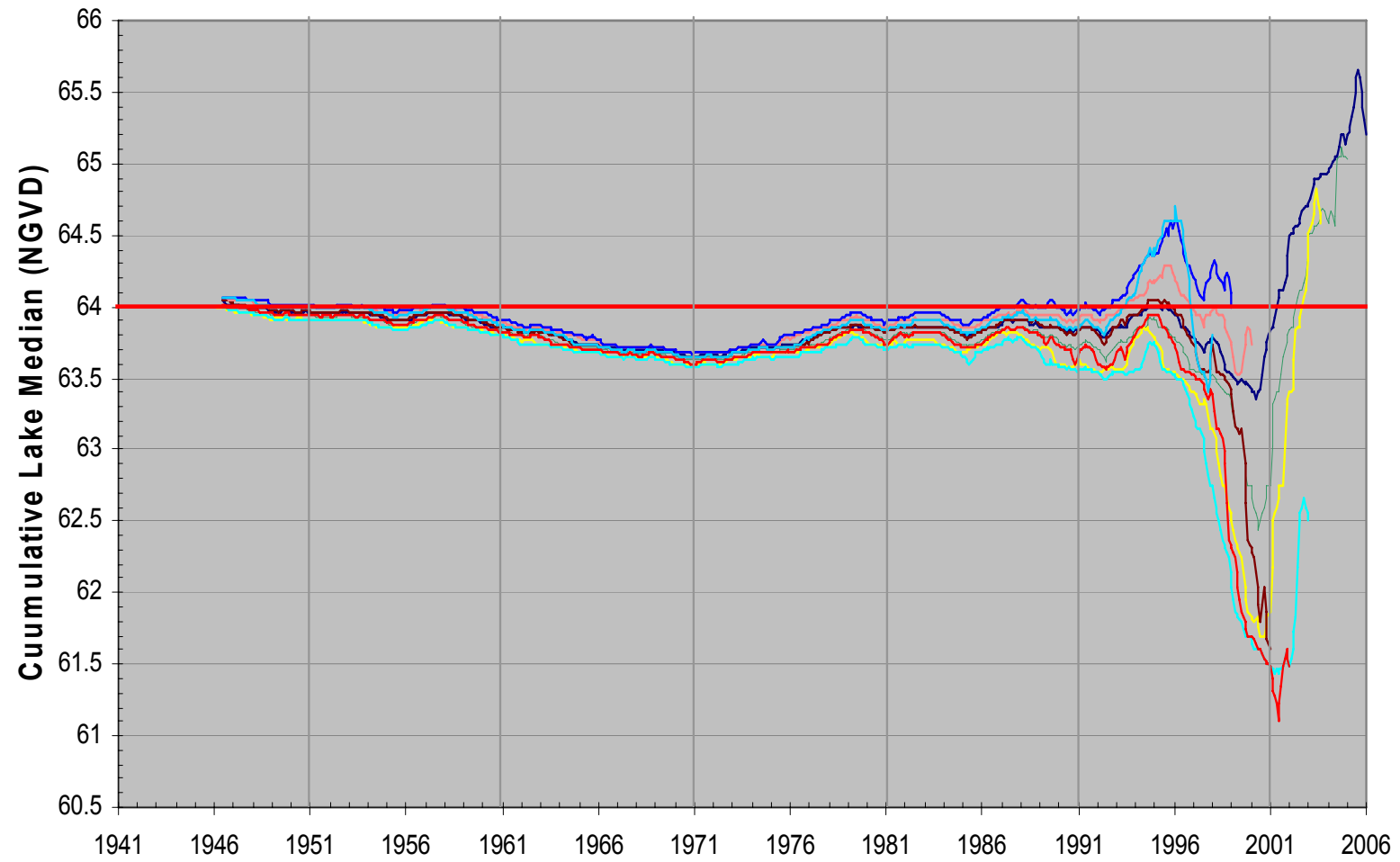
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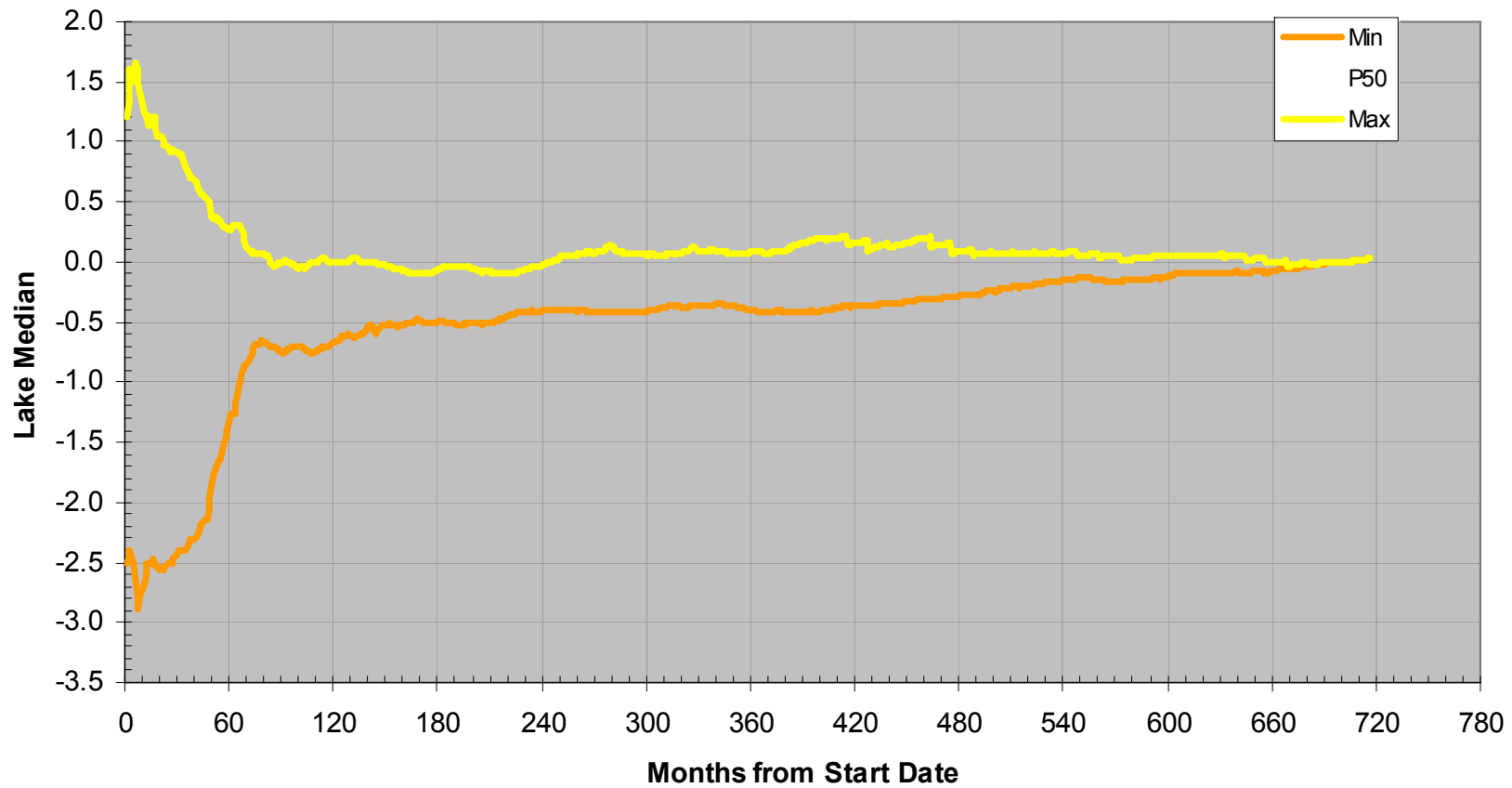
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Lake Deaton 60 Yr Median Minus Cumulative Median



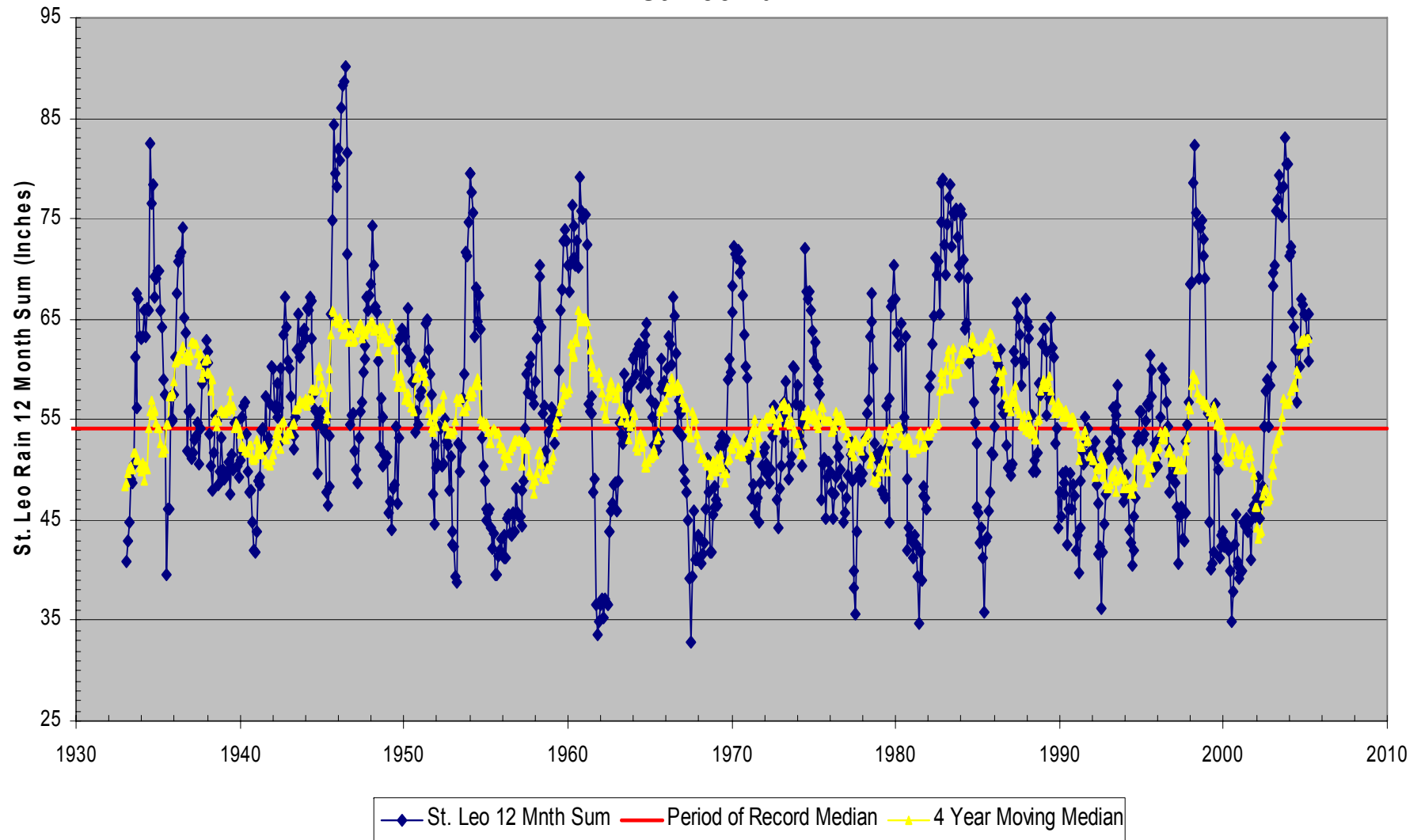
Long-Term is at Least 60 + Years

(Actually there are cycles in cycles, that will keep producing new values but we are setting a limit at 60 to 100 years)

Fact:

1. Percentiles calculated with shorter windows of time will cycle above and below the longer term percentile.
2. The shorter the window of time the larger the variation around the long-term.

St. Leo Rain

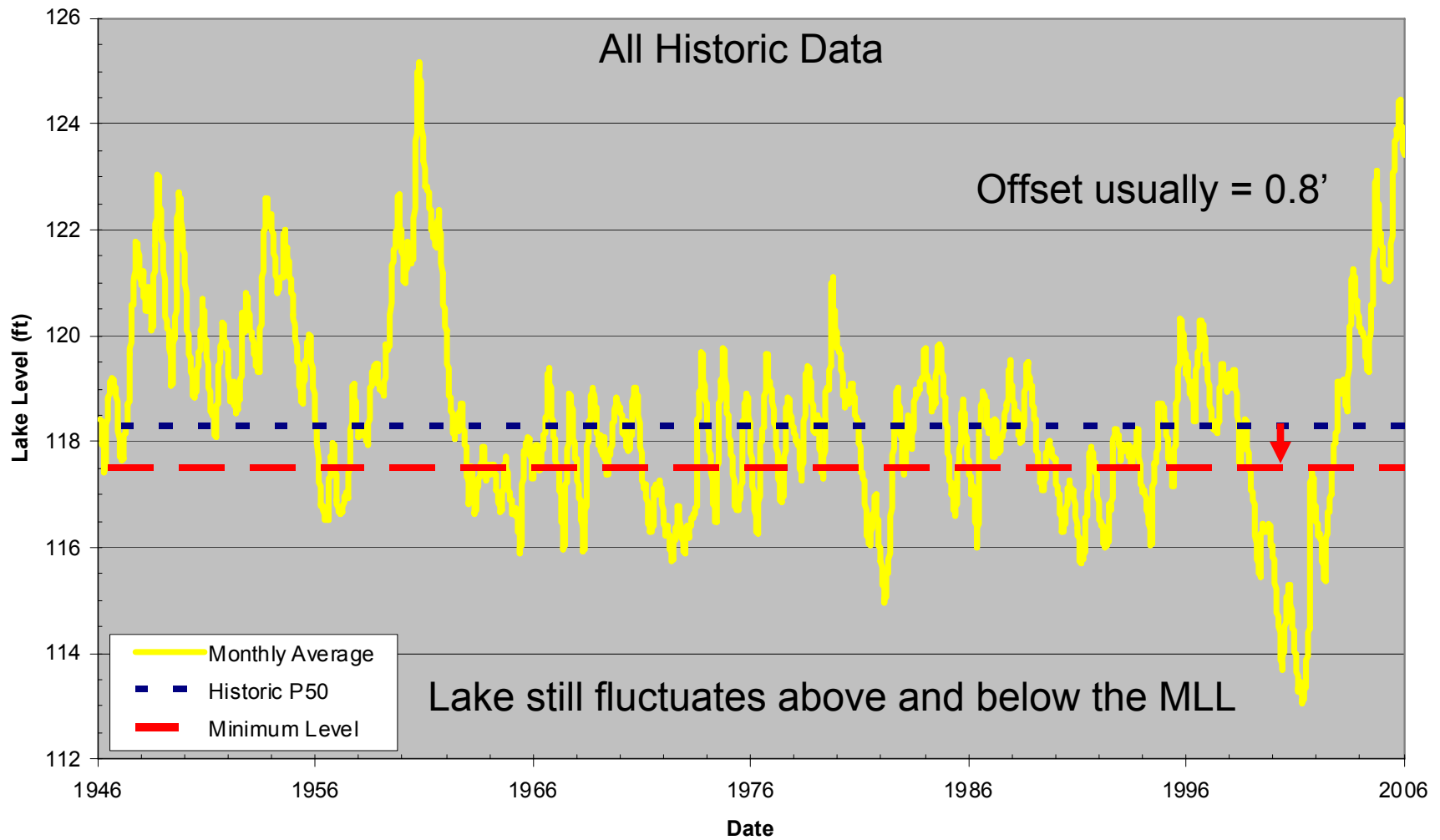


Calculating Lake Stage Fluctuation Statistics Used to Set Lake Minimum Levels

In a perfect world you have long-term historic data and it's very easy!

Calculate the Historic P50 using the data and apply the appropriate offset.

Lake Example



We never have a perfect world situation.

- **Need method to calculate Long-Term Historic P50.**
- **Need a method to estimate what the natural stage of the lake should be at any moment based on preceding climatic conditions**

Typical lake has less than 20 years and very frequently has no historic data.

How are we handling this?

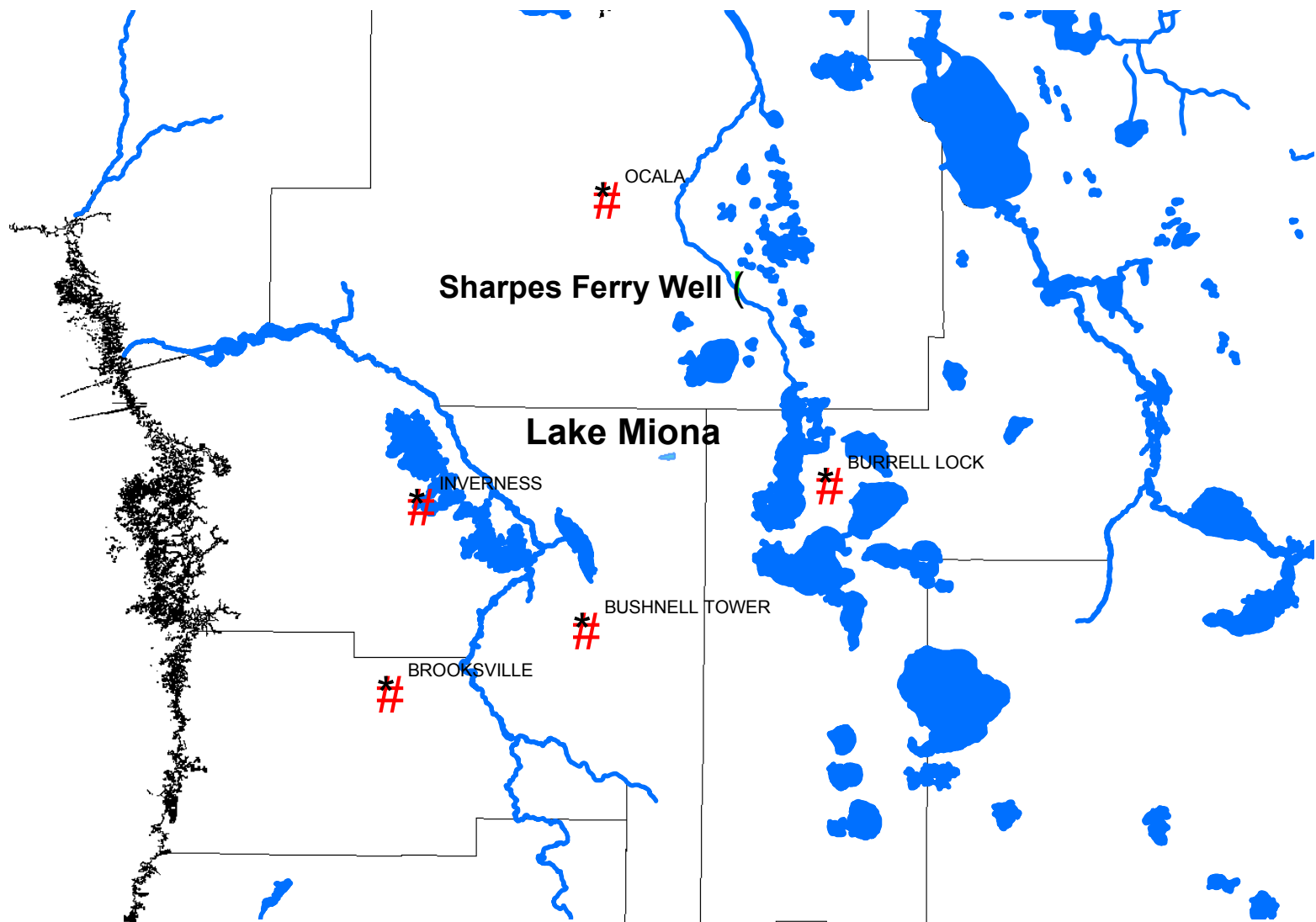
- 1. Old Way - Reference Lake Water Regime concept**
- 2. New Way – Climate Based Models**

Goal: Estimate Lake Stage Given Climatic Conditions

Brief Introduction to Line of Organic Correlation (regression)

- Fully discussed in Helsel and Hirsch (1992)
Studies in Environmental Science 49
Statistical Methods in Water Resources
USGS, Water Resources Division
- Minimizes Error in Both x and y direction
- Slightly different form of regression
- Good to fill in missing data using overlapping records
two stations

First Application of LOC - Lake Miona Model Based on
Sharpes Ferry Well
(Hancock 2007)



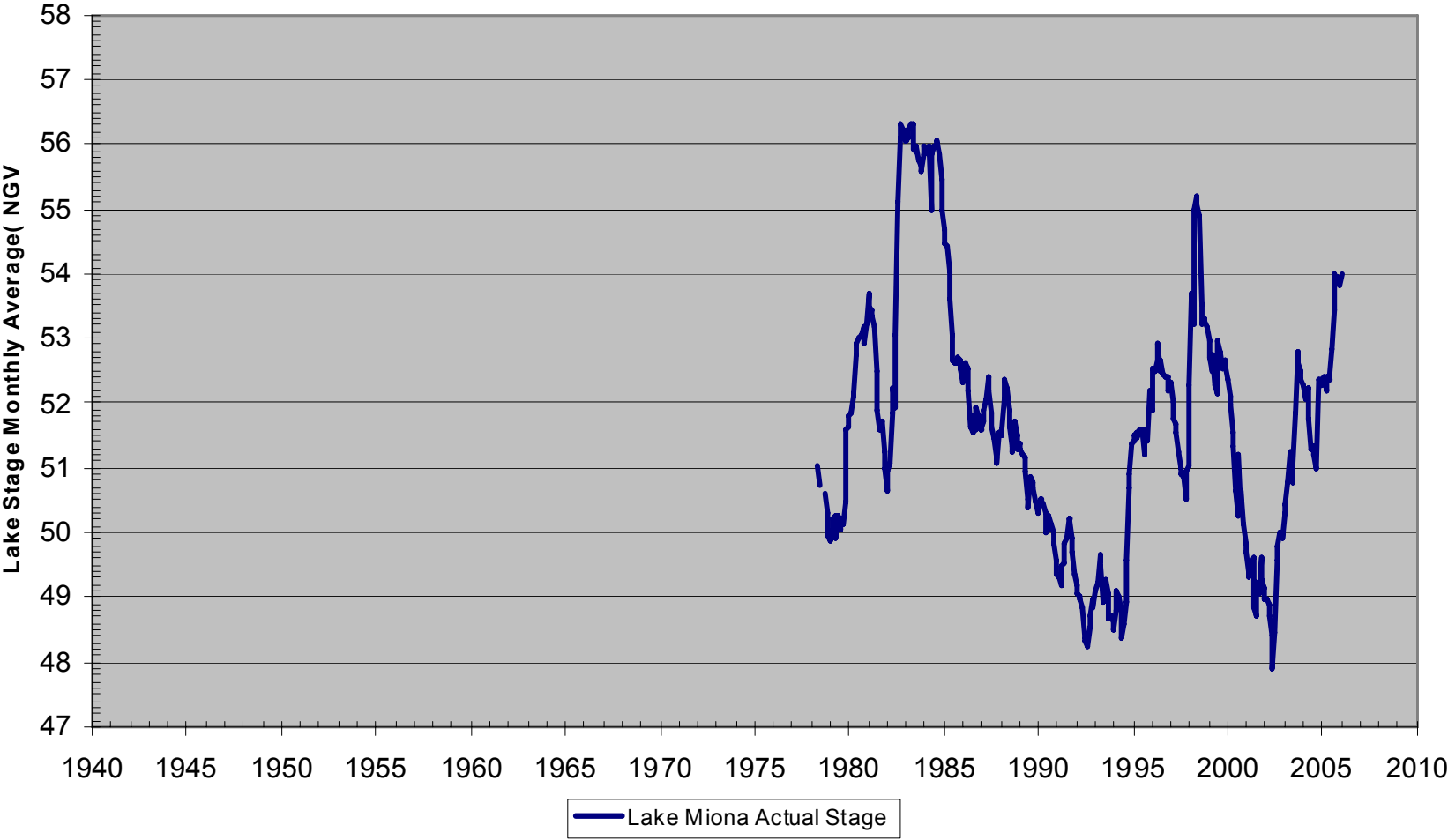
Sharpes Ferry Background

- Data Collected by USGS since 1947
- Located Adjacent to the Ocklawaha River Near Sharpes Ferry
- Floridan Well
- Abandoned in 2002 and not replaced
- Some debate over level of impact by water use, but area has been and still is a low use area.
- Change in Water Levels on Harris Chain of Lakes due to Moss Bluff Structure and thus changes to the Ocklawaha River are reported by Tibbals 2004.
- SWFWMD Considers it one of the few hydrologic records with very minimal impacts. Our best Long-term data set for testing models.

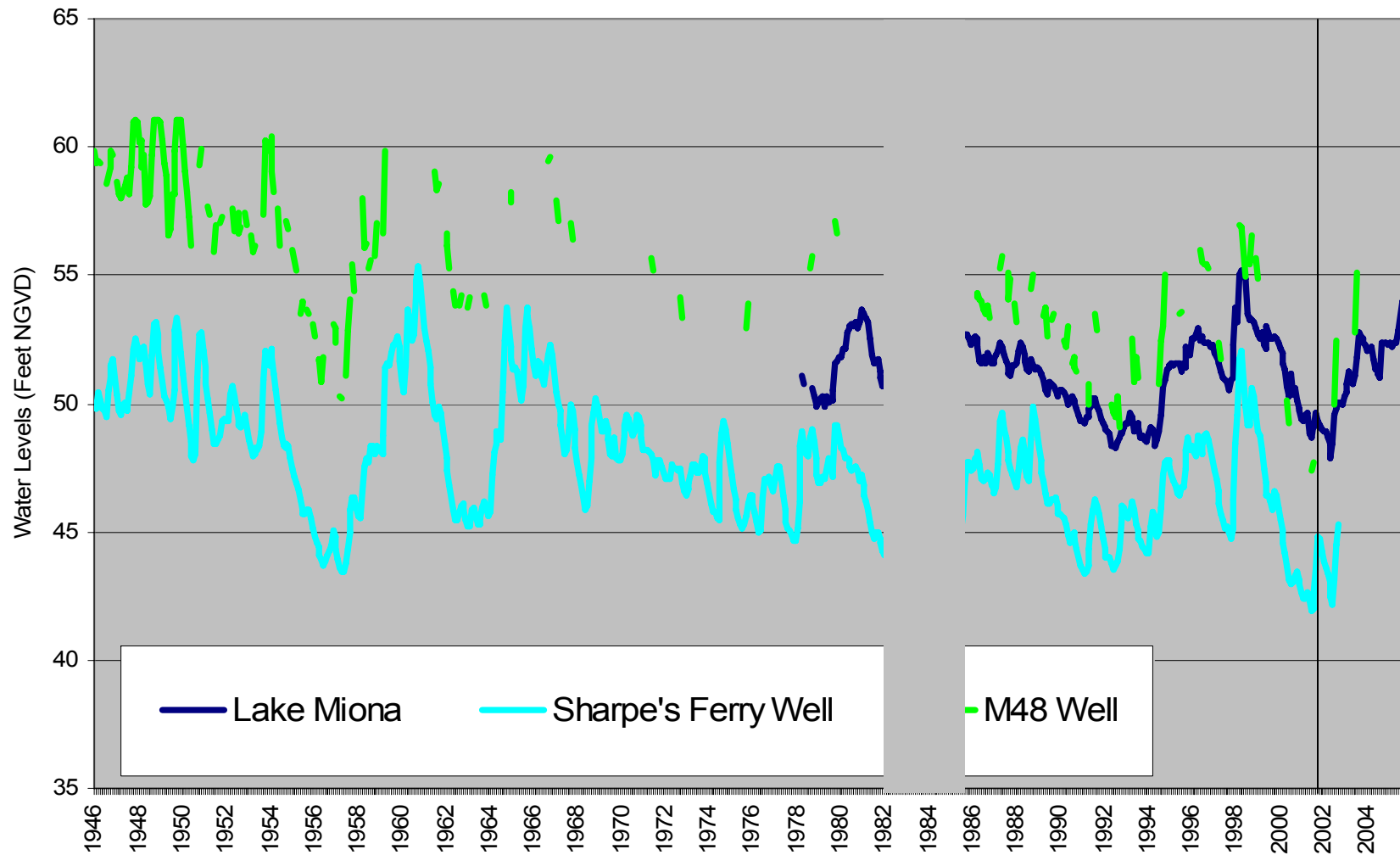
Lake Miona Background

- Lake Stage Data Available from April 1978 to Present
- Past Peat Mining In Basin with Possible Augmentation to Miona from Peat Dewatering Activities (1982-1986)
- Area of Rapid Growth Since 2000 with substantial recent water use increases
- Closed Basin no Structural Alterations
- Good Biological Indicators are Absent
- Analysis of water use impacts suggest little to none up to 2000-2002

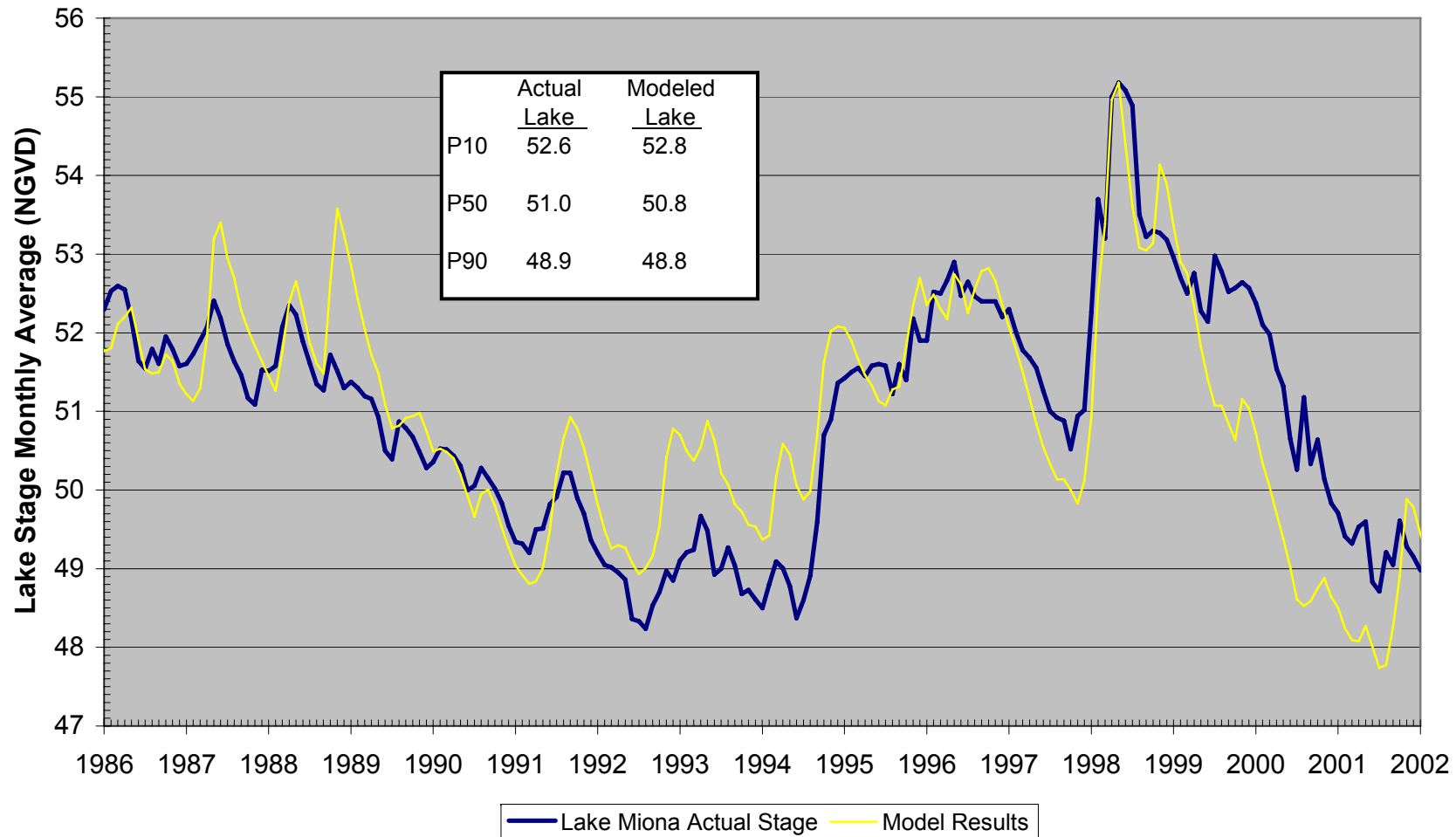
Lake Miona / Sharpes Ferry Model



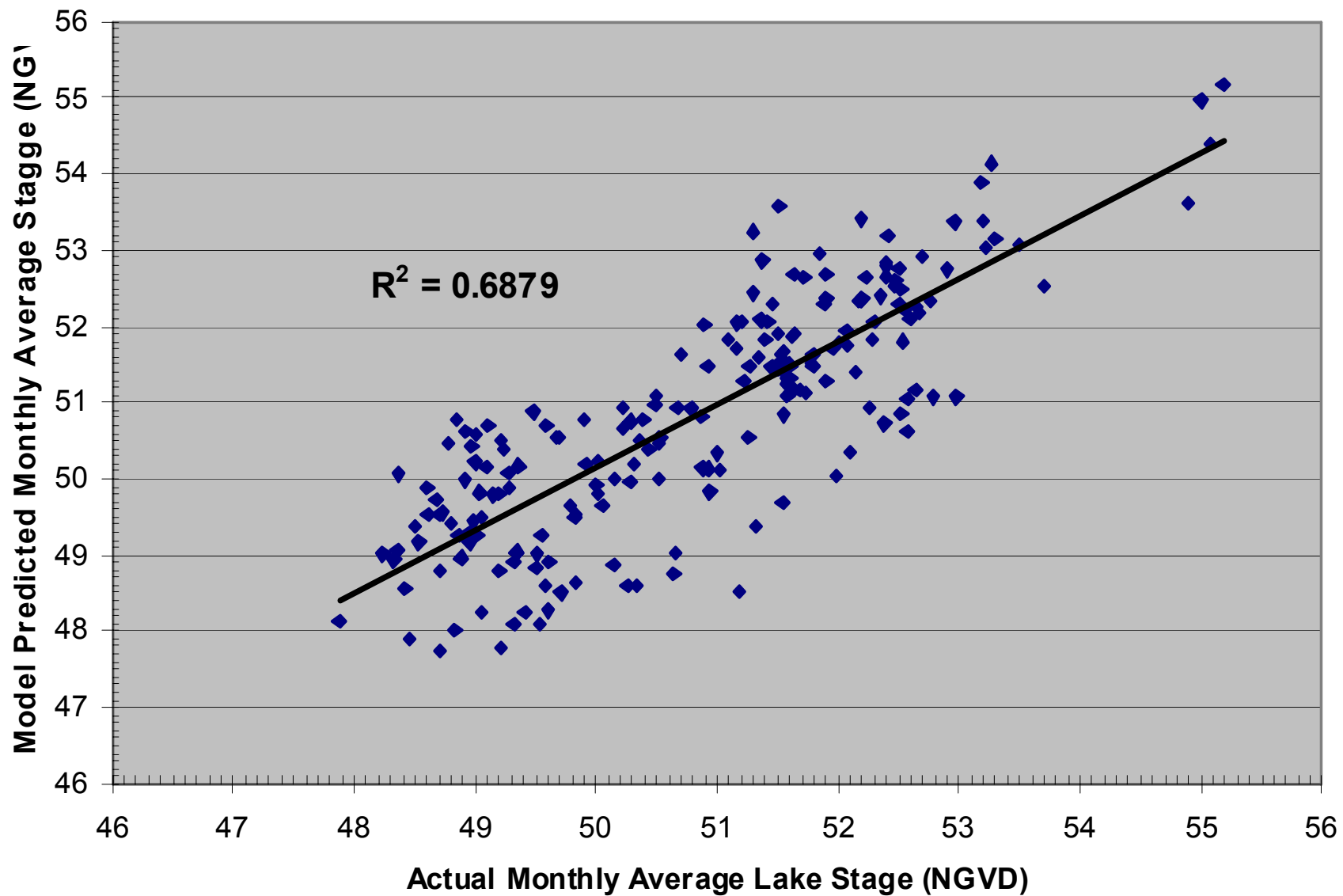
Lake Miona / Sharpes Ferry Water Level Based Model



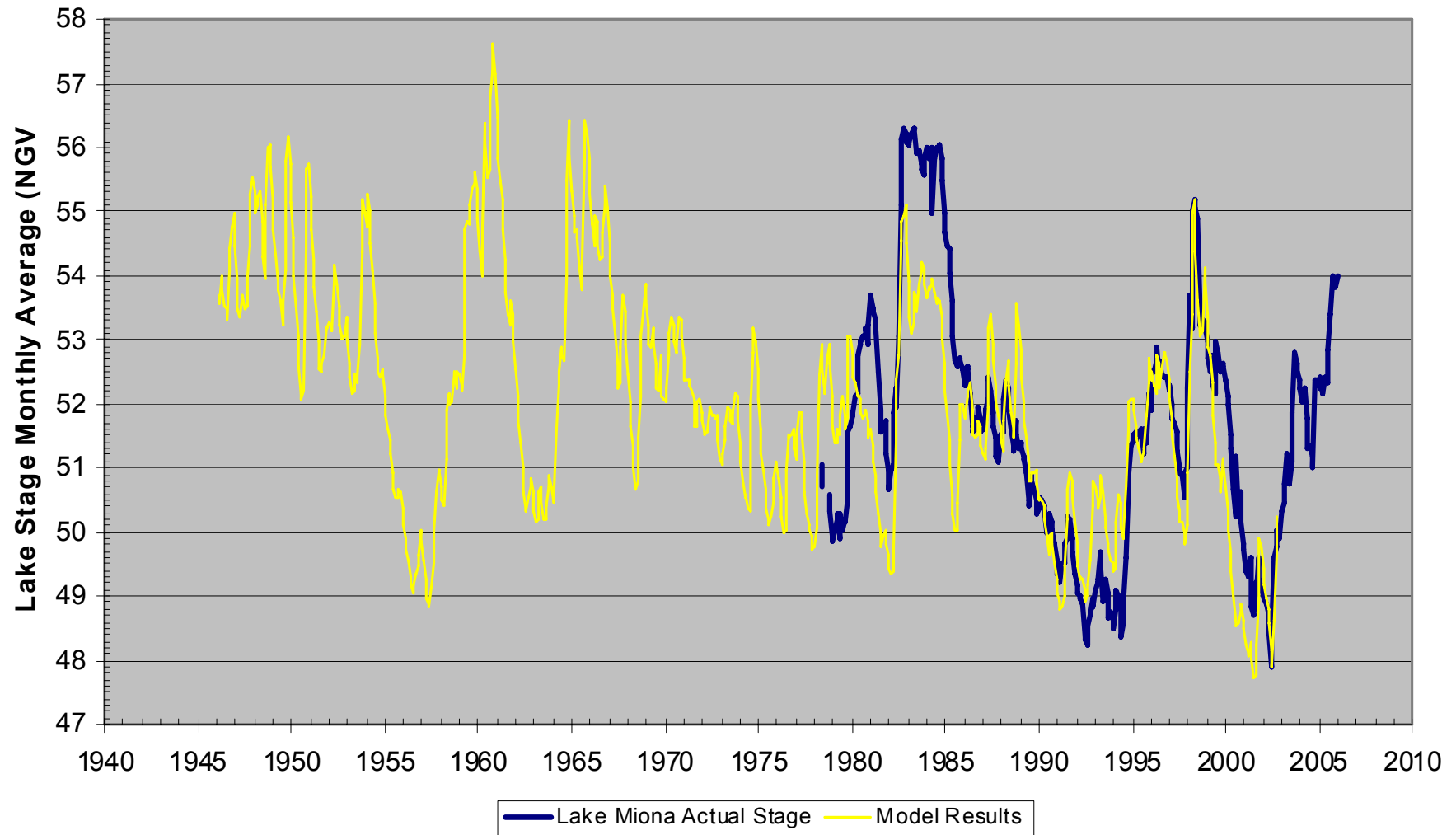
Lake Miona / Sharpes Ferry Model Calibration Period



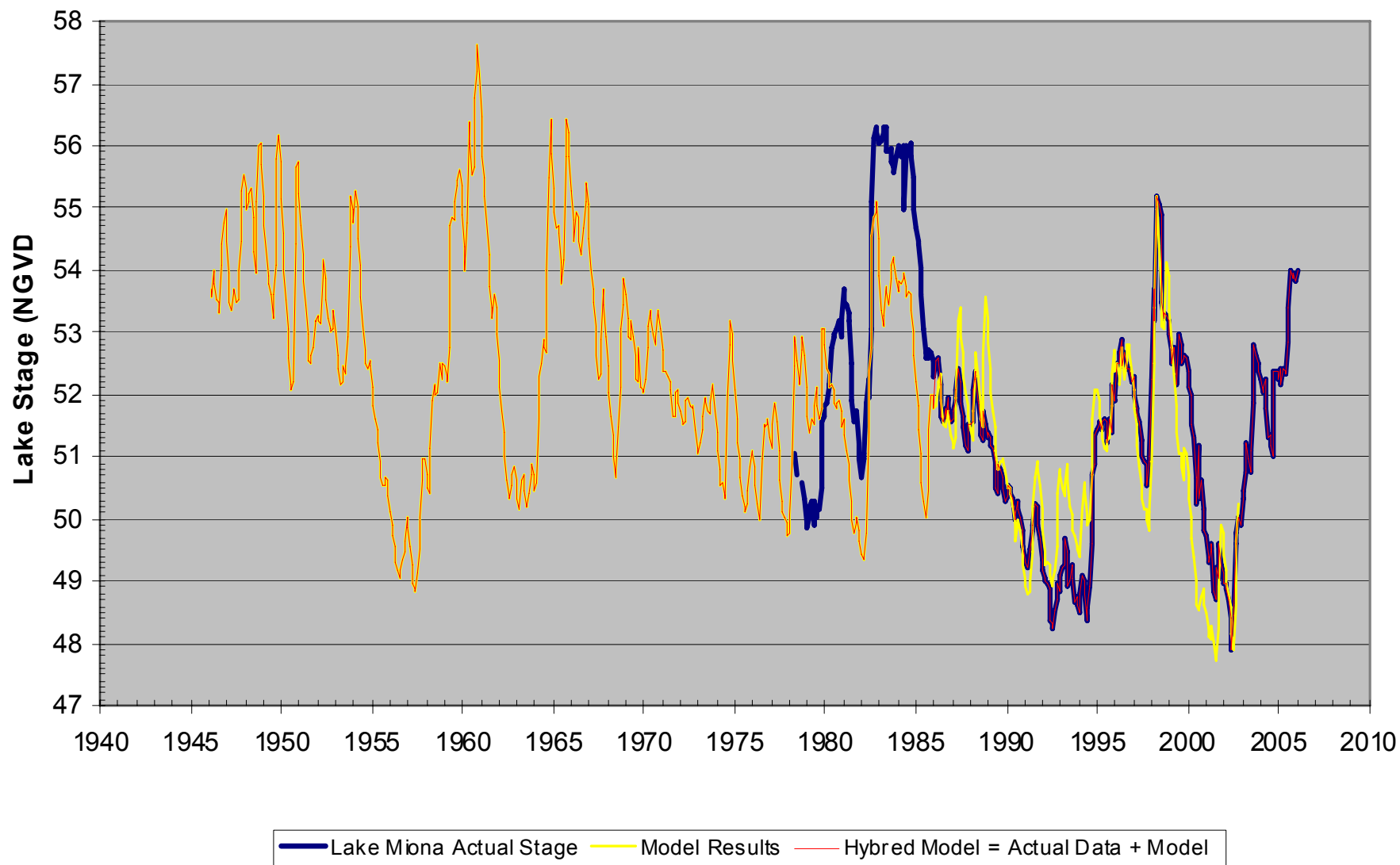
Calibration Period Lake Miona Actual versus Model Predicted



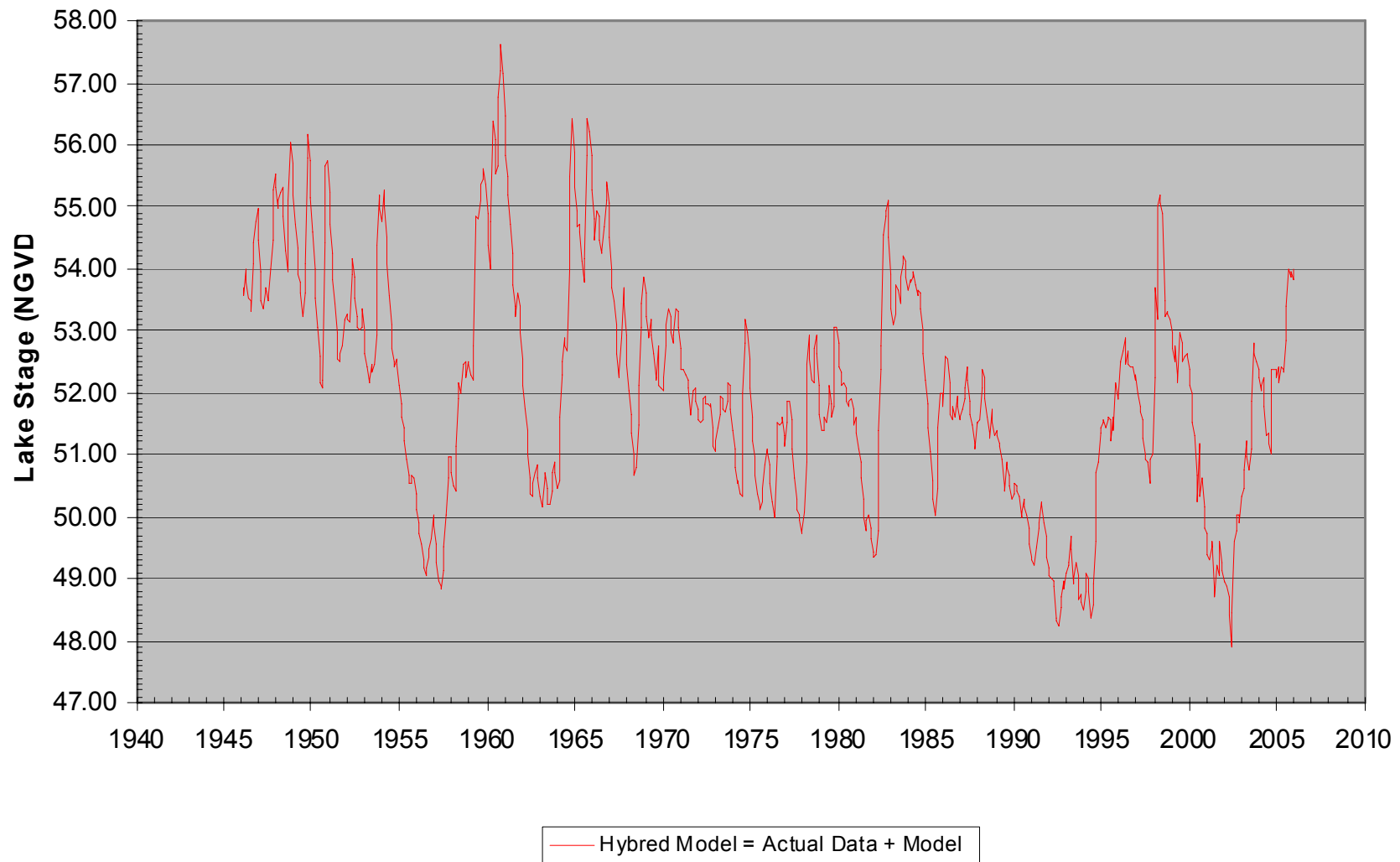
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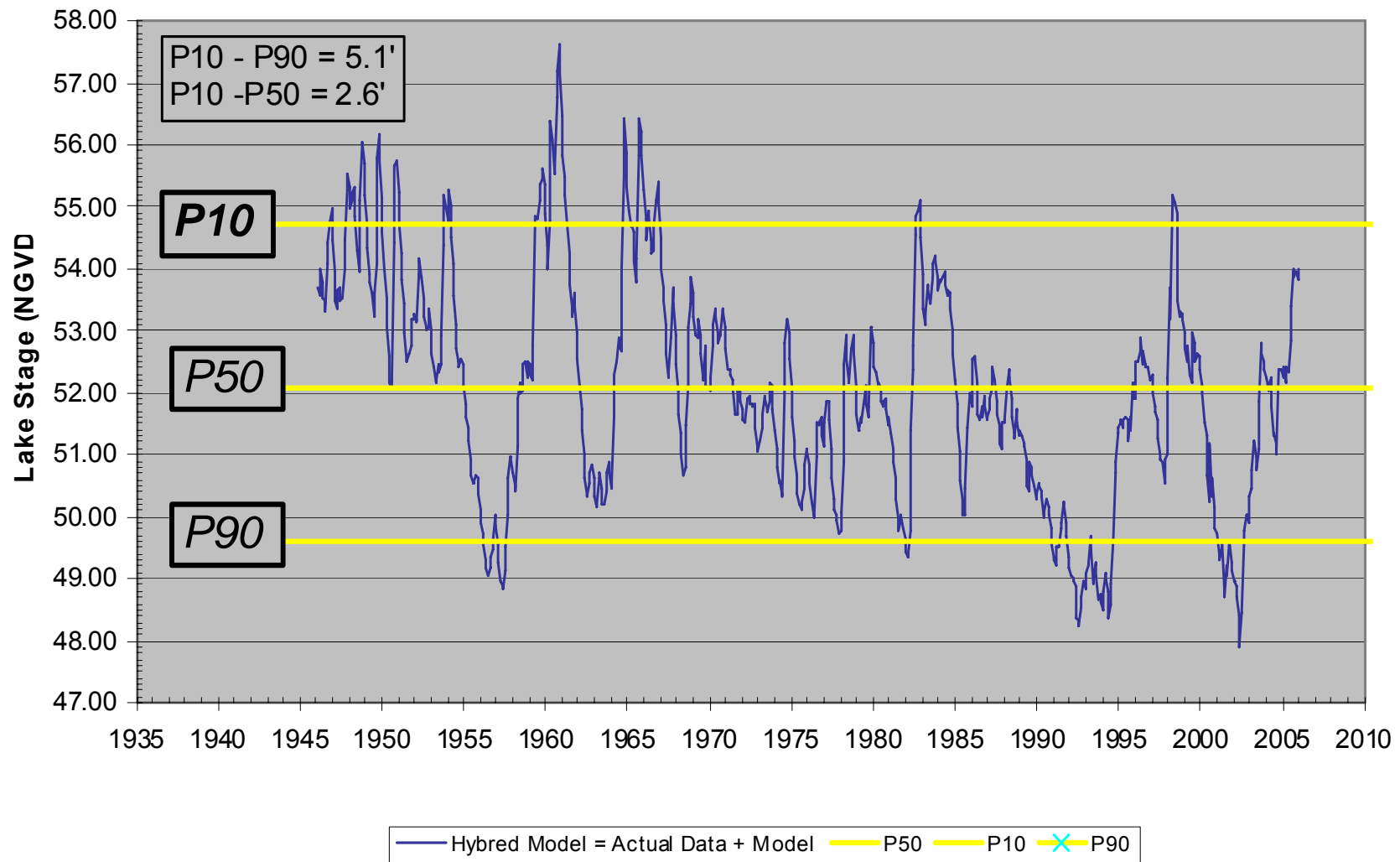
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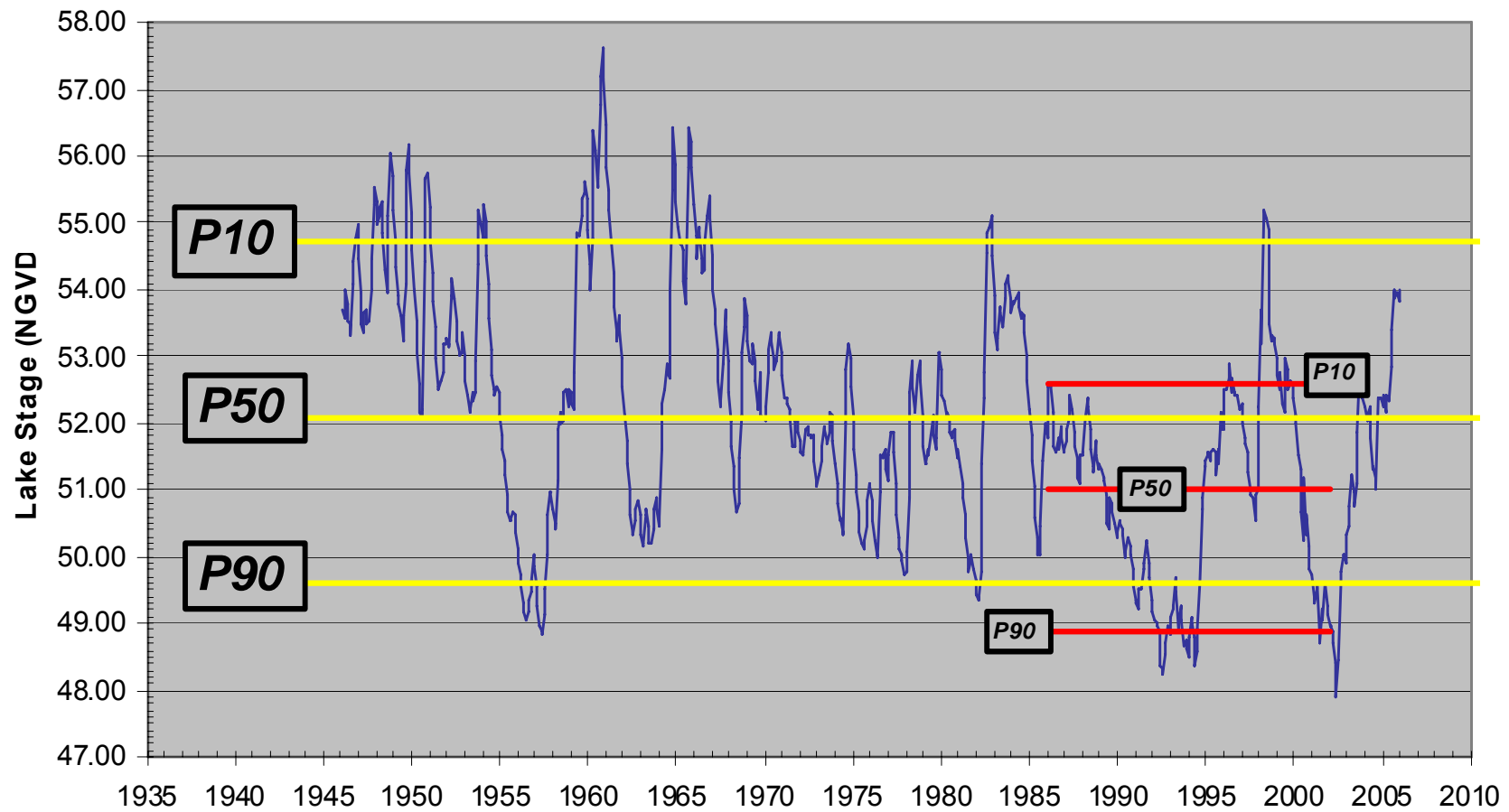
Lake Miona / Sharpes Ferry Final Hybred Model



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— Hybred Model = Actual Data + Model
 — P50
 — P10
 ✕ P90
 — Calib Period P50
 — Calib period P10
 — Calib Period P90

Lake Miona Model

Using the Ocala Rain Gauge Instead of Sharpes Ferry

(Example of a Rainfall Model)

- Goal is a Climate Based Model to Predict Un-impacted Monthly Average Lake Level
- Eliminates Anthropogenic Changes in the Model
- Numerous Rain Gauges throughout the District to Use, Minimizing Location and Distance Issues
- Rain Gauges Still Exist, Haven't Been Abandoned

Lake Stage Models Based on Rainfall

- Rainfall is summed to relate to lake fluctuation
- Monthly sums are the starting data
- Method of summing is critical
 - Lake Stage is dependent on prior months of rainfall
 - Previous rainfall's influence diminishes as time passes
 - Linear Inverse Weighted Sum or a Decay series addresses the fading memory issue

Rainfall Decay Series

- Lake stage is a result of current rain and past rain
- Lakes have a fading memory of past rainfall
- This months rain is more influential than rain that occurred 3 months ago, and the rain three months ago is more influential than 6 months ago. and so on.....

Rainfall Decay Series

- To capture this concept each month of rainfall is weighted
- With the highest weight assigned to the current month and decreasing weights are assigned to each month back in time
- A simple linear decreasing weighting system is used

Example - Calculation of 12 Month Rainfall Decay Series Sum

| Rain Monthly Total (inches) | Sum of Rain Decay Series (inches) |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| R_1 | $D_1 = R_1 (12/12) + R_2 (11/12) \dots + R_{12} (1/12)$ |
| R_2 | $D_2 = R_2 (12/12) + R_3 (11/12) \dots + R_{13} (1/12)$ |
| R_3 | $D_3 = R_3 (12/12) + R_4 (11/12) \dots + R_{14} (1/12)$ |
| . | . |
| . | . |
| . | . |
| R_x | $D_x = R_x (12/12) + R_{(x+1)} (11/12) \dots + R_{(x+11)} (1/12)$ |
| $R_{(x+1)}$ | |
| $R_{(x+2)}$ | |
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| $R_{(x+11)}$ | |

Decay Series Expression

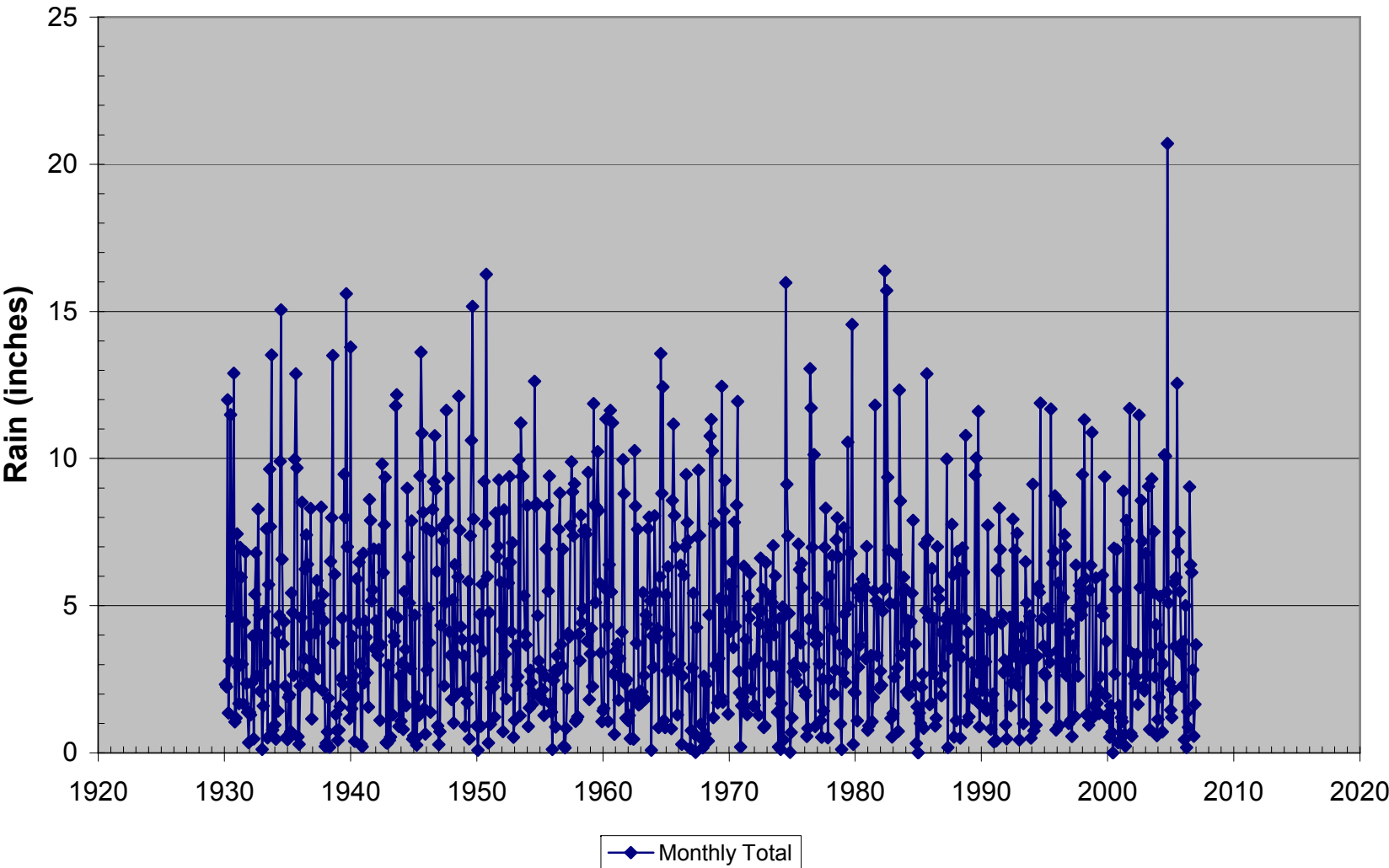
The general form of the decay series expression is:

$$D_x = R_x (L/L) + R_{(x+1)} ((L-1)/L) + \dots + R_{(x+L)} ((L-L)/L)$$

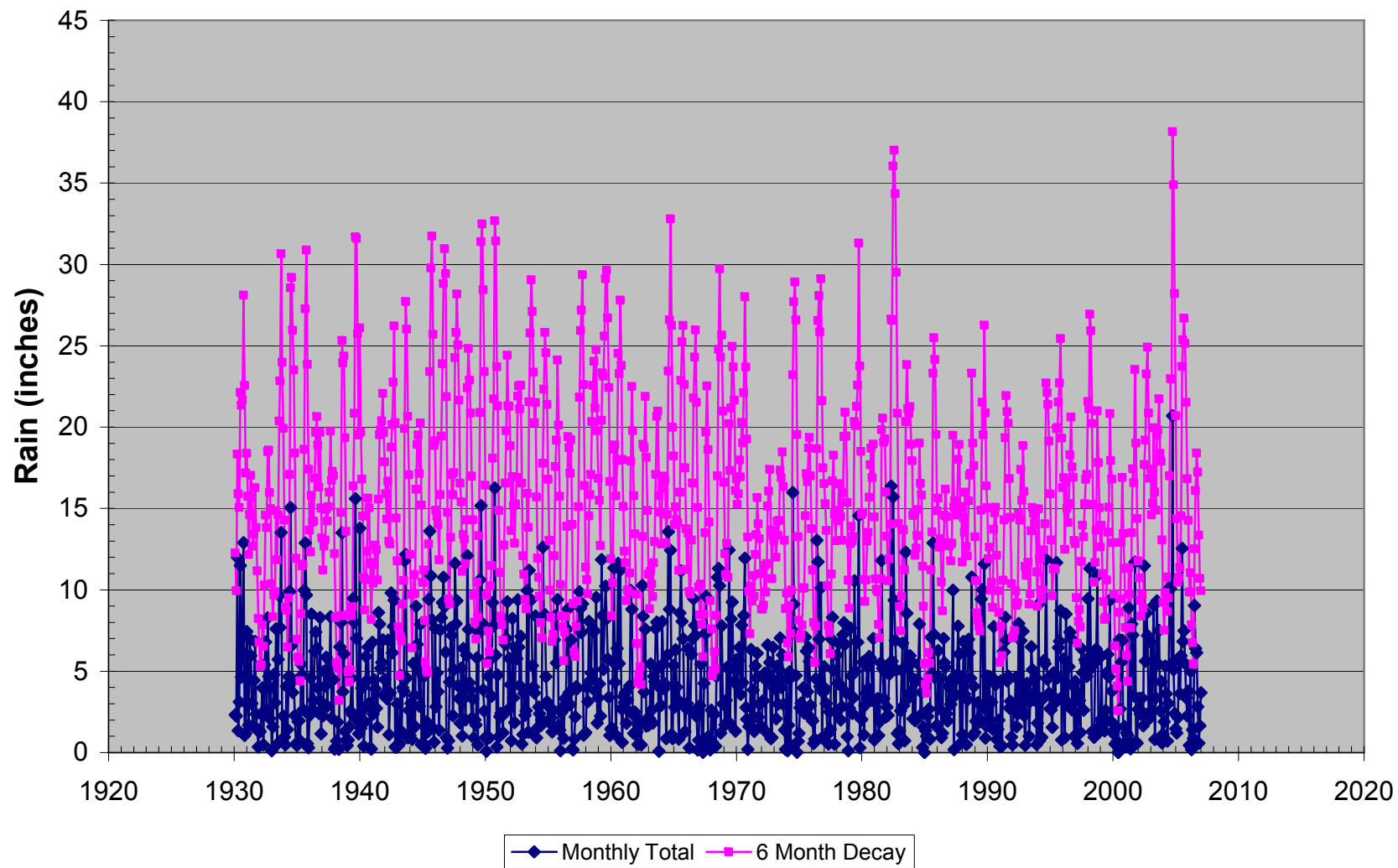
Where: L = number of months in the decay period

D_x is the sum of the rain decay series

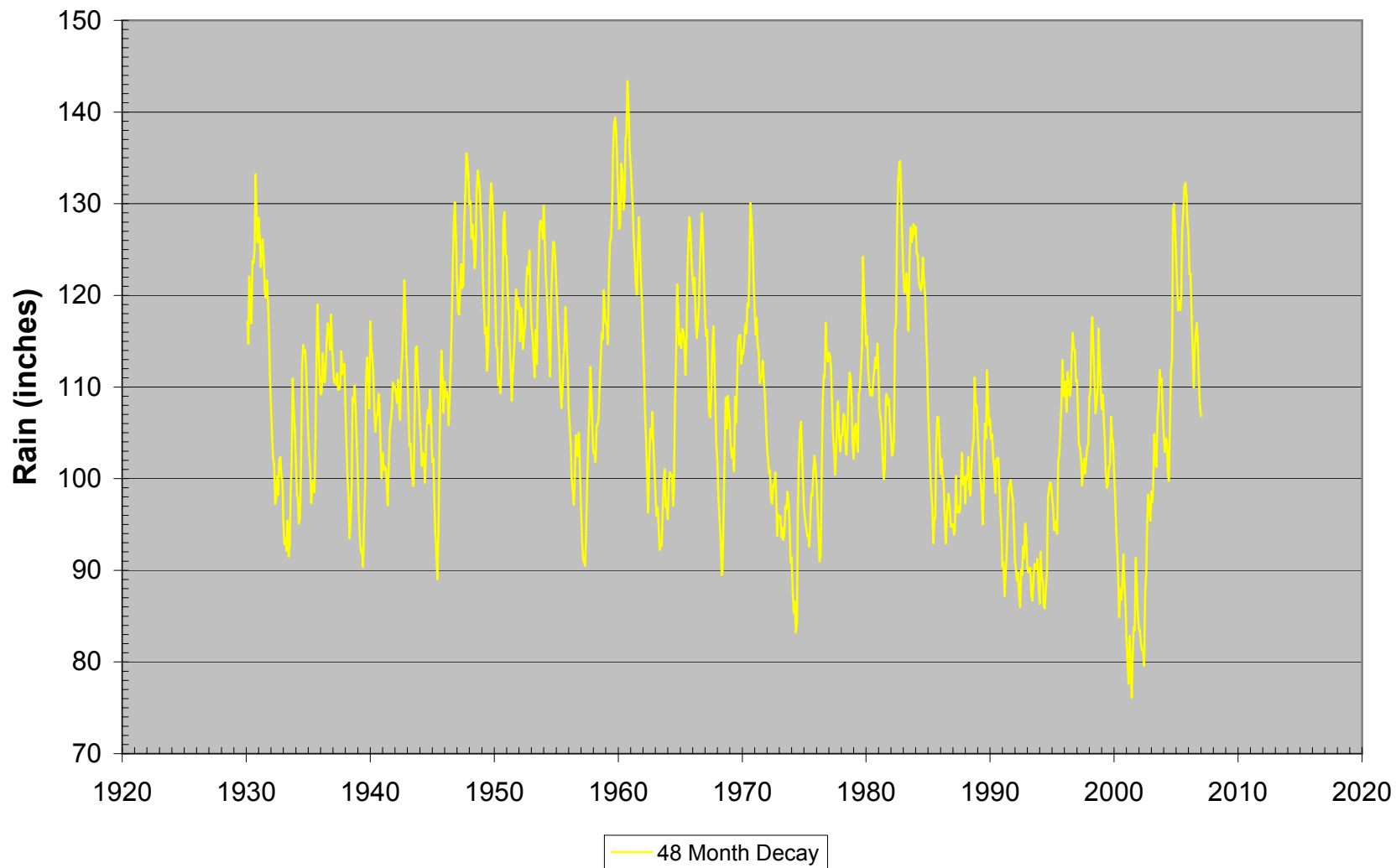
Ocala Rain Gauge



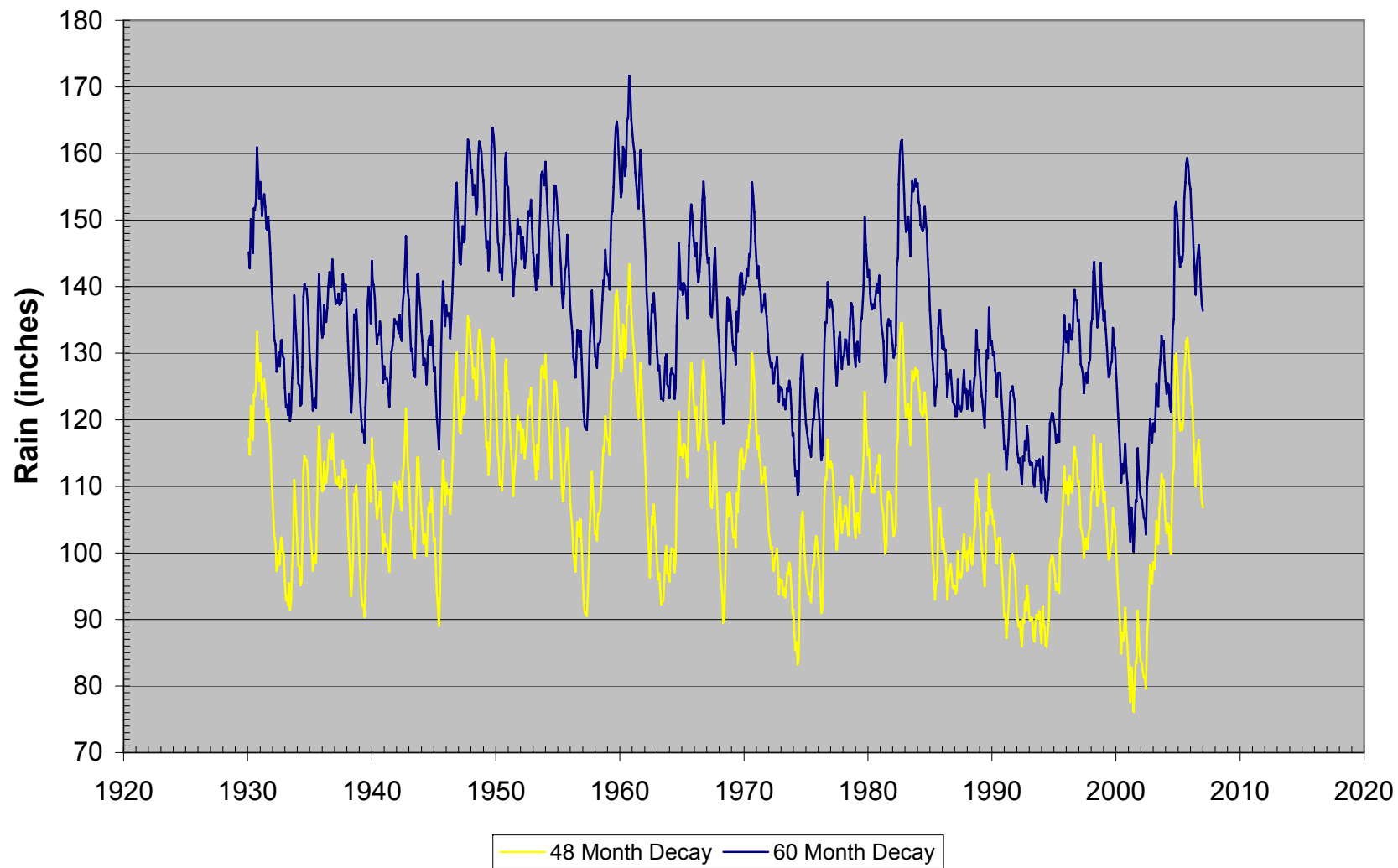
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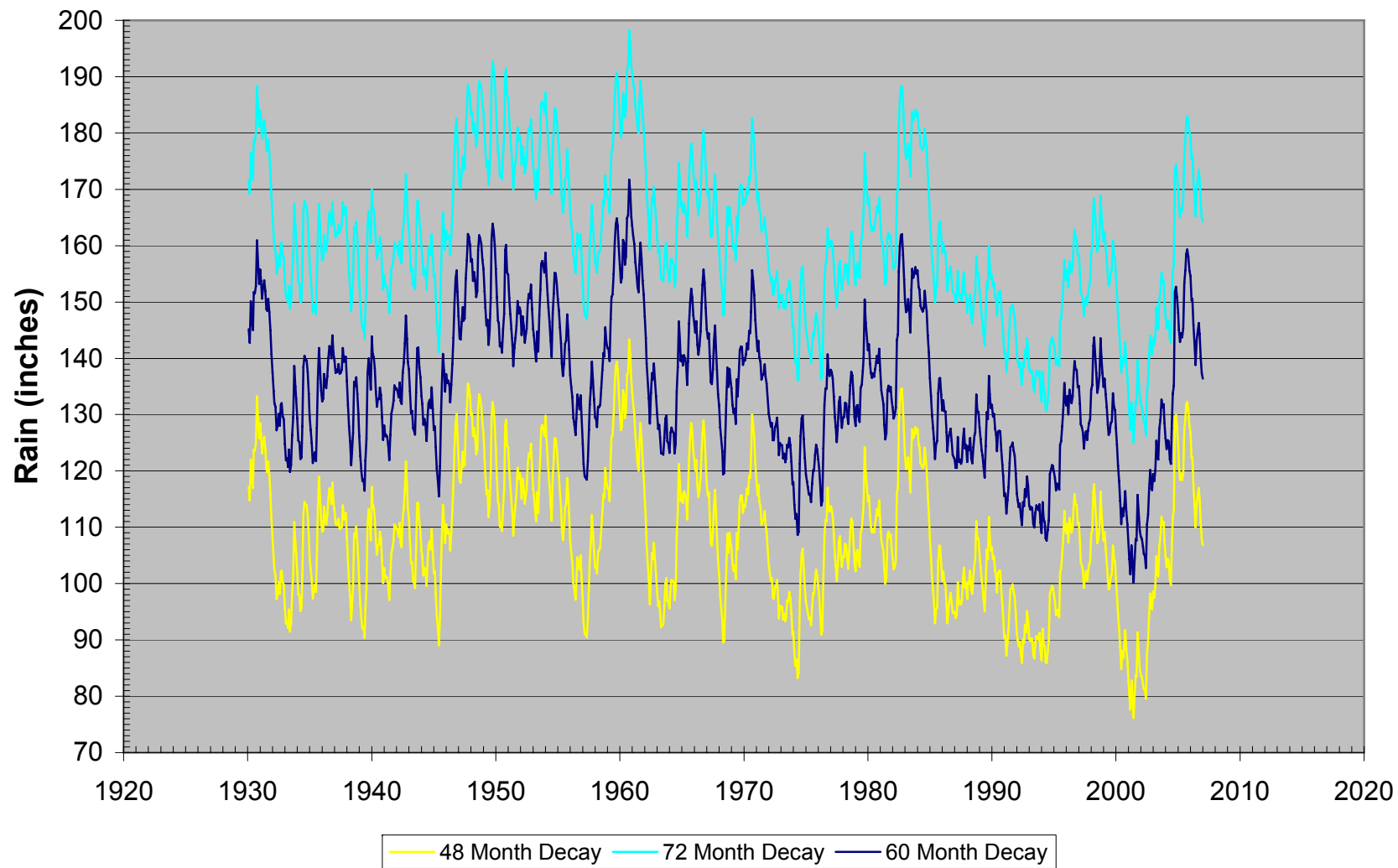
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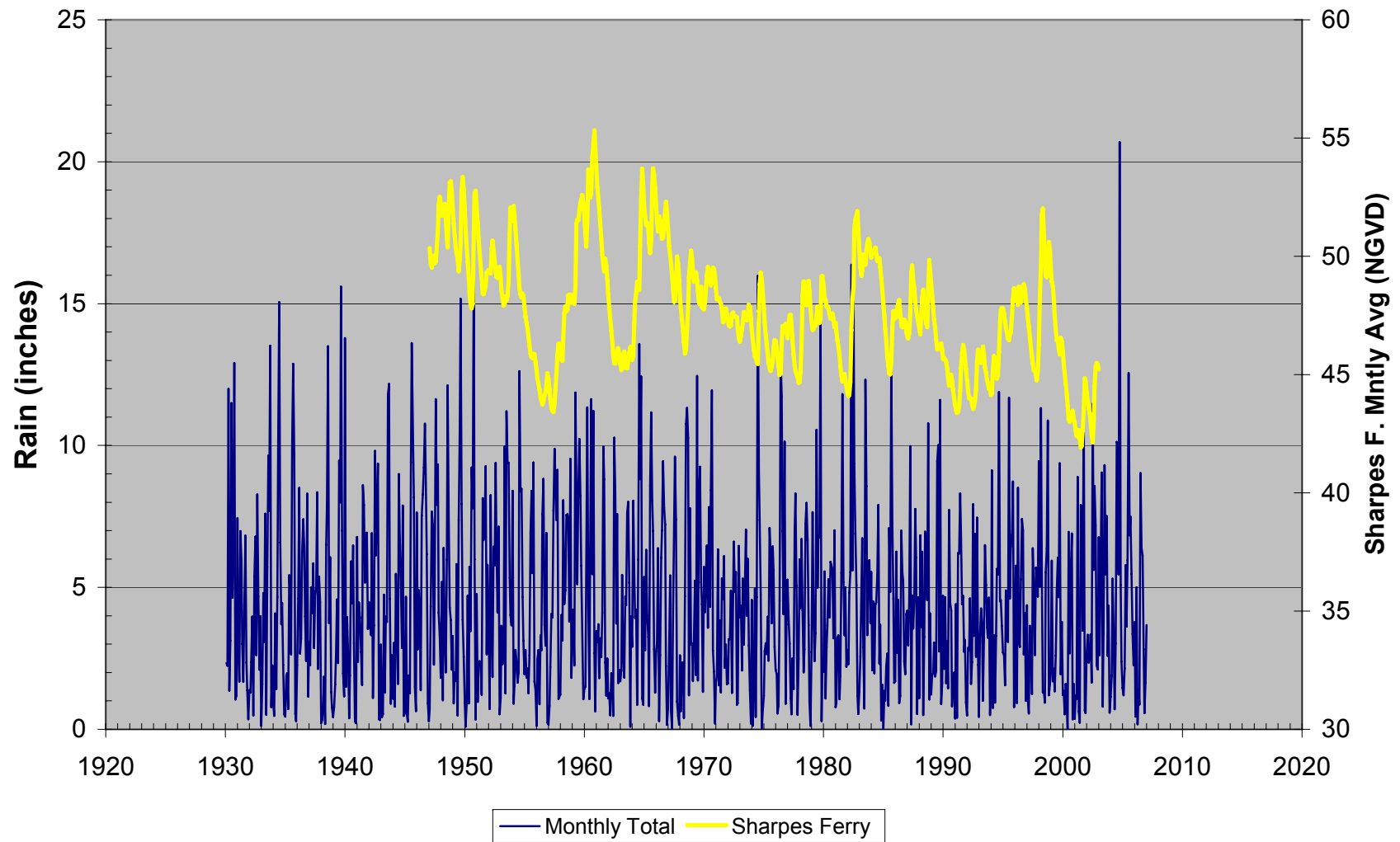
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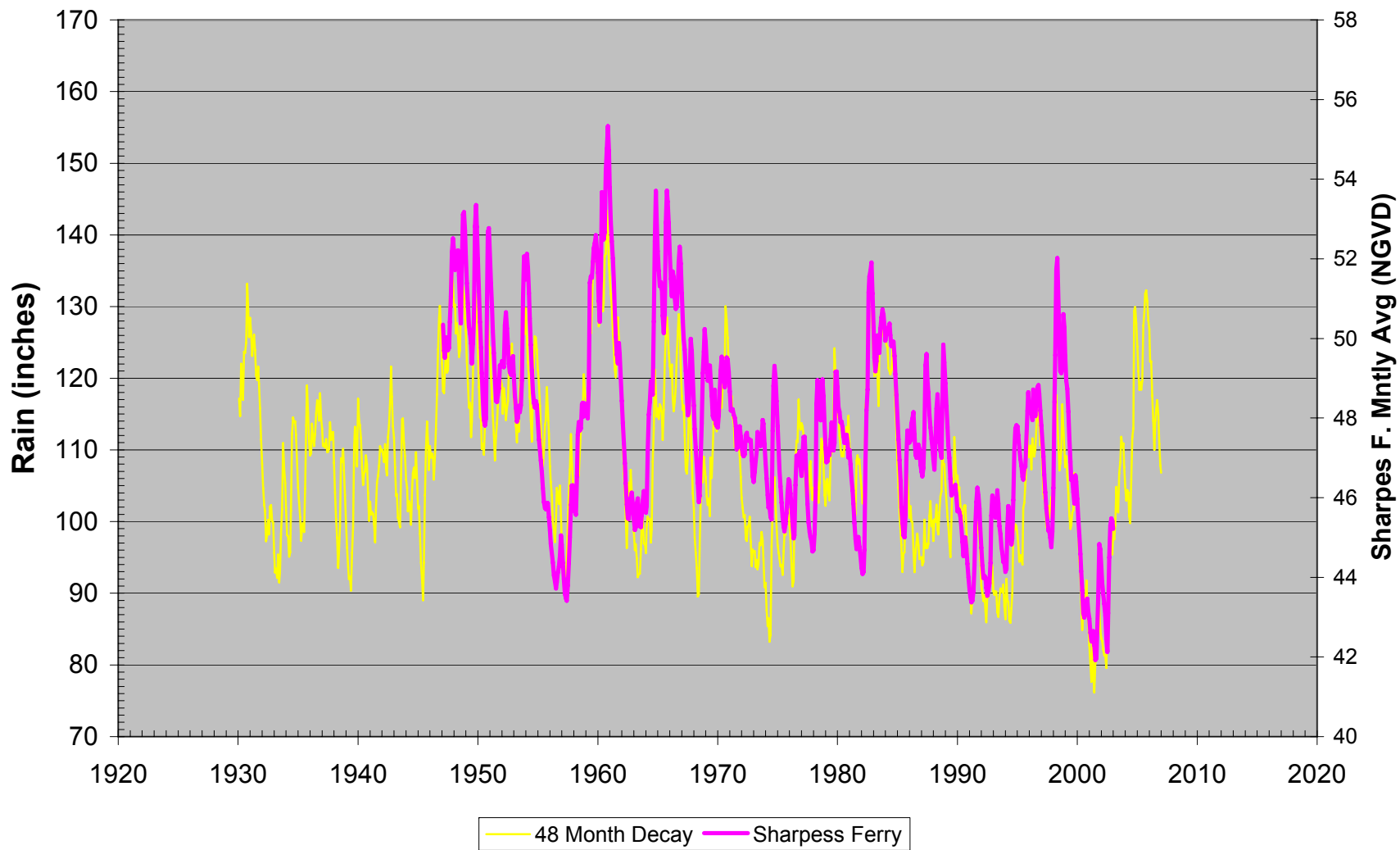
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Ocala Rain Gauge with Sharpes Ferry Well



Ocala Rain Gauge



Lake Models Based on Rainfall

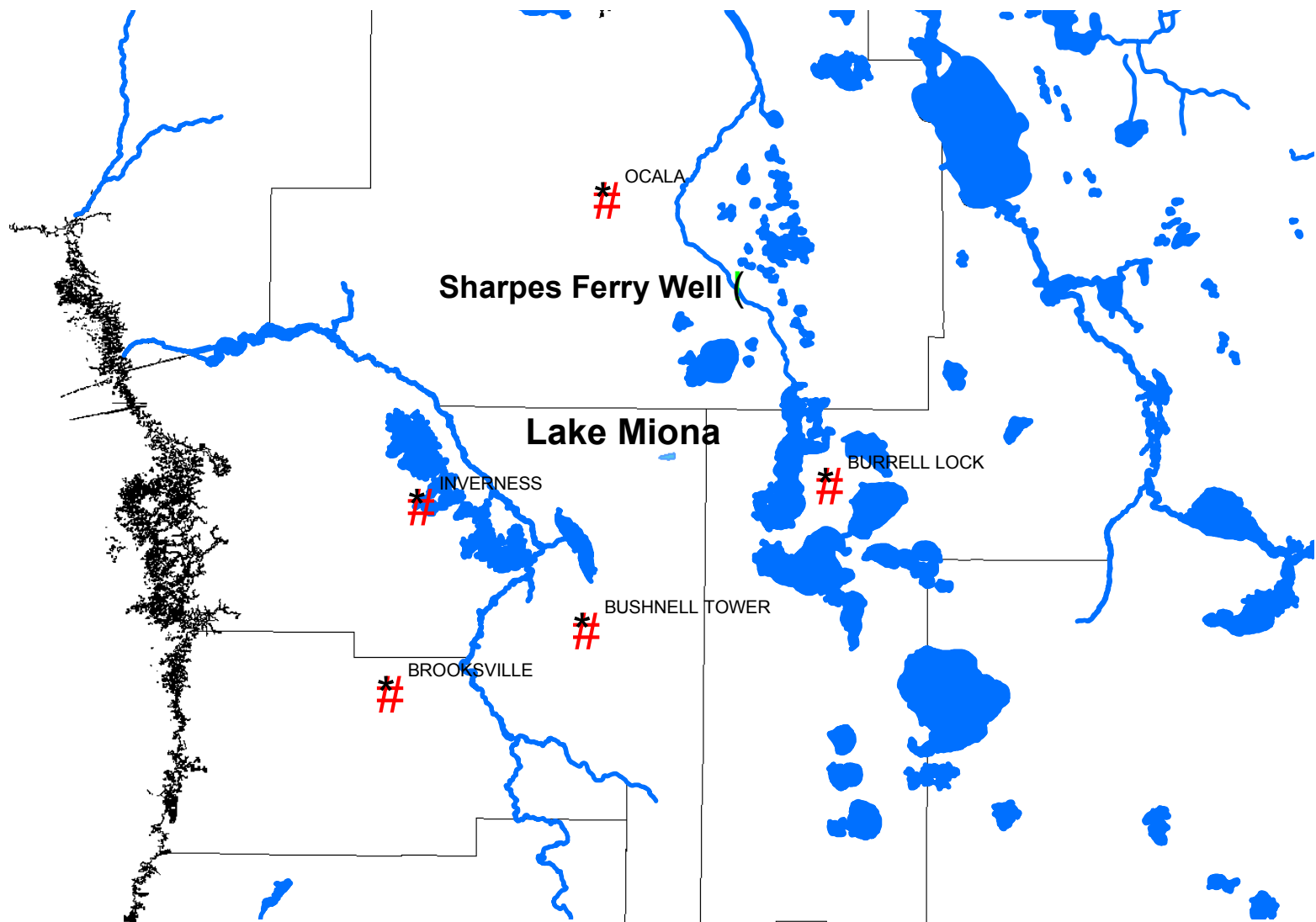
- The new decay series monthly totals are substituted for Sharpes Ferry water levels and the LOC model is ran in the same manner, with the following additional steps

Additional Steps

- Test Different Time Lengths for the Decay Series (12 month, 24 month, 36 month D.....)
- Compare each model and make selection using:
 - Lowest Absolute Sum of Percentile Differences
 - Highest r^2

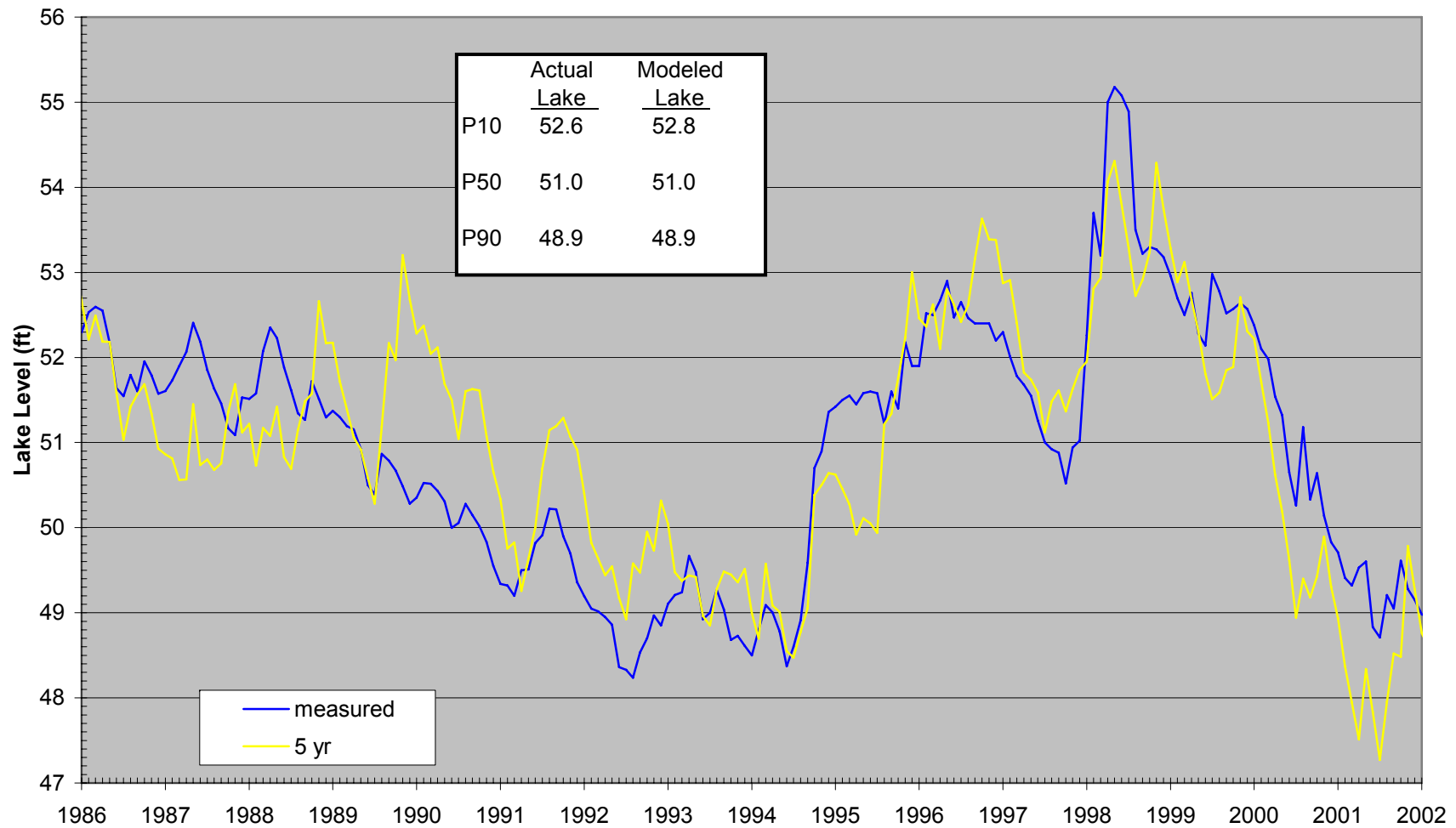
Additional Steps

- Repeat for other nearby rain gauges approximately equal distance away from the lake
- Use same decision process on selection of best rain gauge and decay series time length
 - Lowest Absolute Sum of Percentile Differences
 - Highest r^2

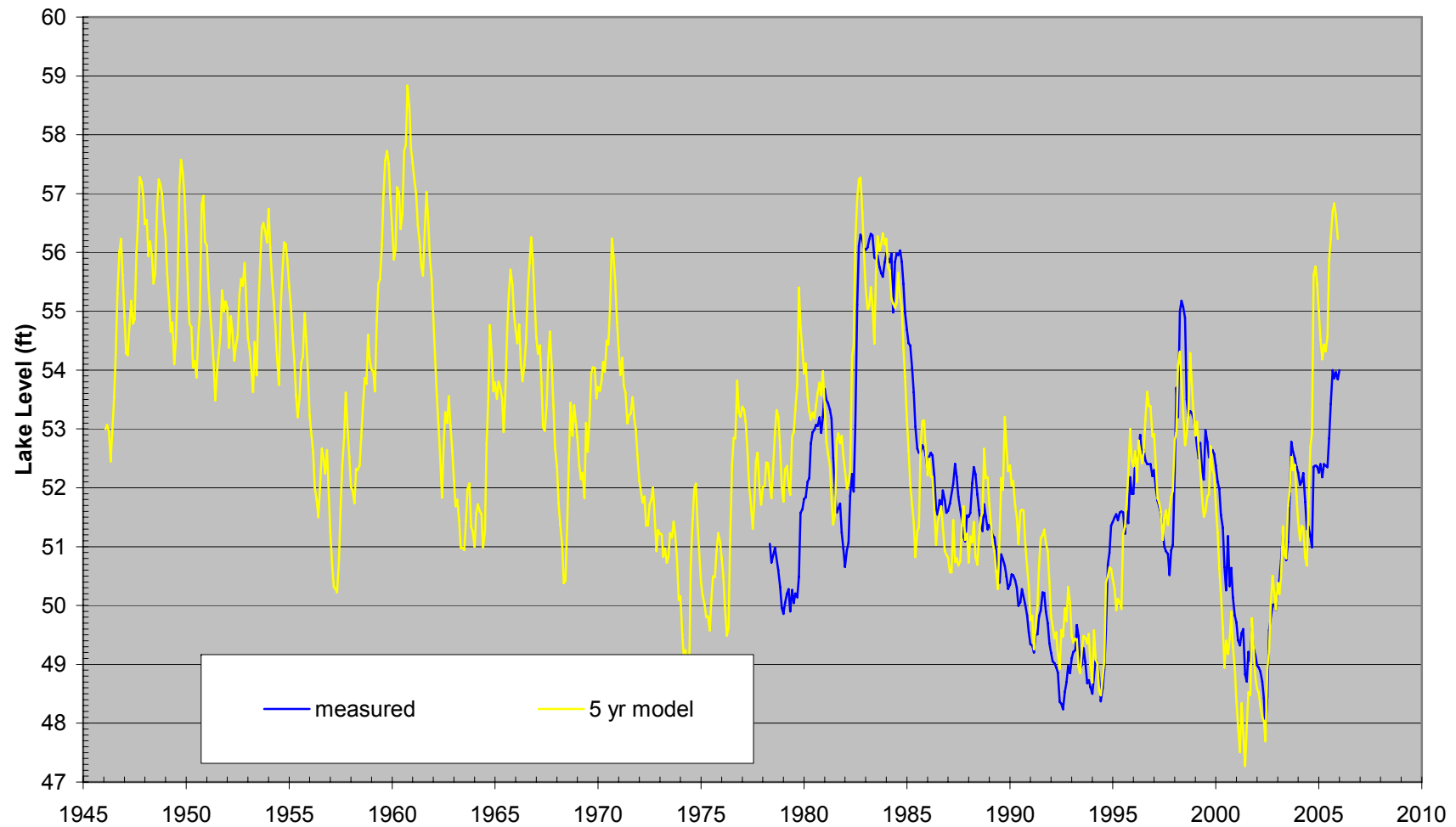


| Decay Period | R ² | ppt Lake Model minus Measured/Lake Level Model Calib Per P50 | ppt Lake Model minus Measured/Lake Level Model Calib Per P10 | ppt Lake Model minus Measured/Lake Level Model Calib Per P90 | ABS P50 | ABS P10 | ABS P90 | Sum ABS |
|--------------|----------------|--|--|--|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| 6 months | 0.06 | -0.22 | 0.45 | 0.12 | 0.22 | 0.45 | 0.12 | 0.80 |
| 1 year | 0.21 | -0.22 | 0.22 | 0.07 | 0.22 | 0.22 | 0.07 | 0.51 |
| 2 years | 0.39 | -0.12 | 0.24 | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.24 | 0.11 | 0.48 |
| 3 years | 0.52 | -0.01 | 0.41 | -0.01 | 0.01 | 0.41 | 0.01 | 0.43 |
| 4 years | 0.61 | -0.03 | 0.33 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.33 | 0.02 | 0.37 |
| 5 years | 0.68 | 0.01 | 0.22 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.22 | 0.01 | 0.24 |
| 6 years | 0.73 | 0.16 | 0.11 | -0.09 | 0.16 | 0.11 | 0.09 | 0.36 |
| 7 years | 0.74 | 0.13 | 0.08 | -0.12 | 0.13 | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.34 |
| 8 years | 0.69 | -0.05 | 0.18 | -0.02 | 0.05 | 0.18 | 0.02 | 0.25 |
| 9 years | 0.61 | -0.10 | 0.12 | -0.04 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.04 | 0.25 |
| 10 years | 0.52 | -0.09 | 0.21 | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.21 | 0.03 | 0.33 |
| Minimum | 0.06 | | | | | | | 0.235 |
| Maximum | 0.74 | | | | | | | 0.799 |

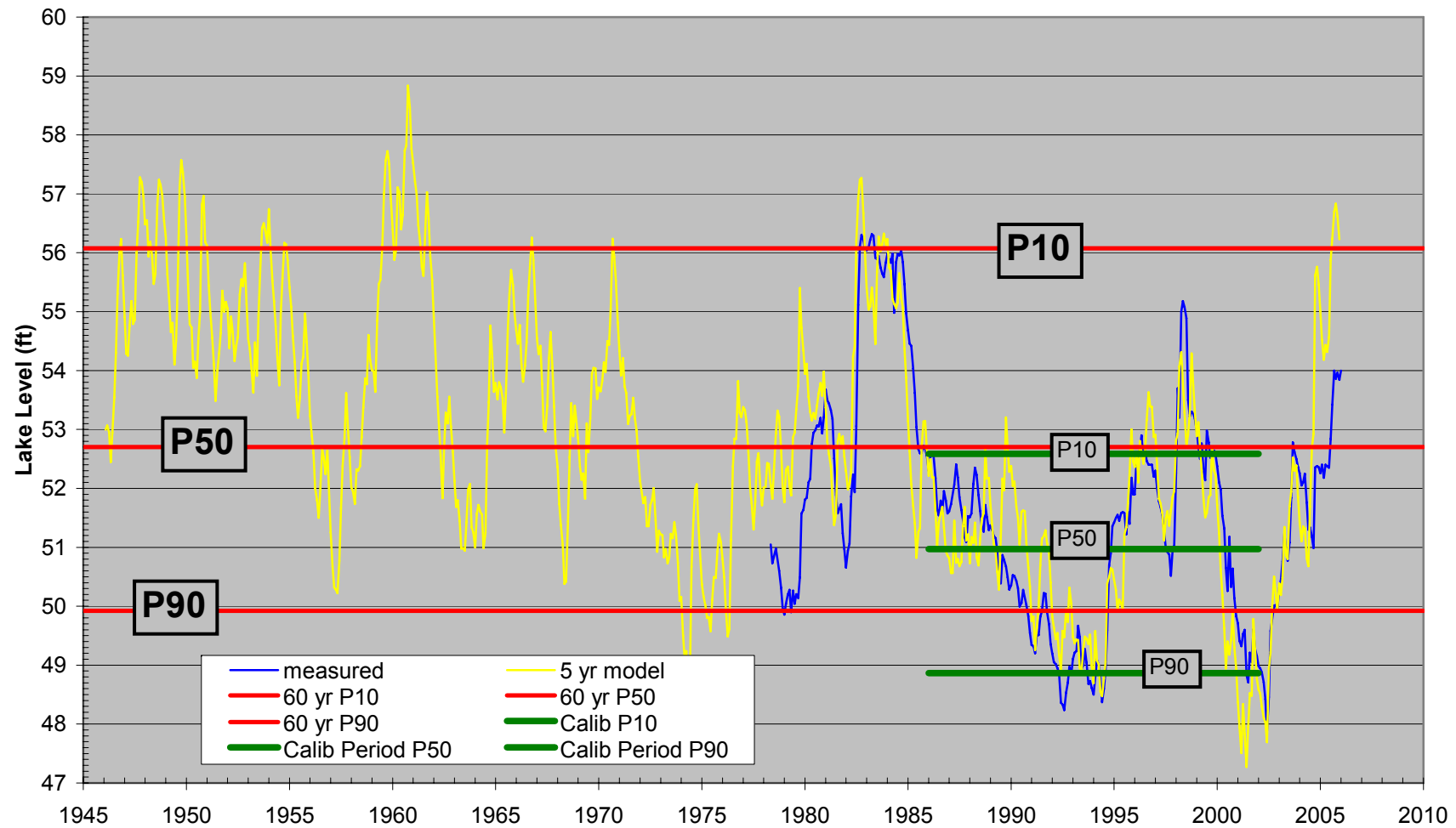
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Modeled with Ocala Rain
Calibration Period 1-86 to 12-02



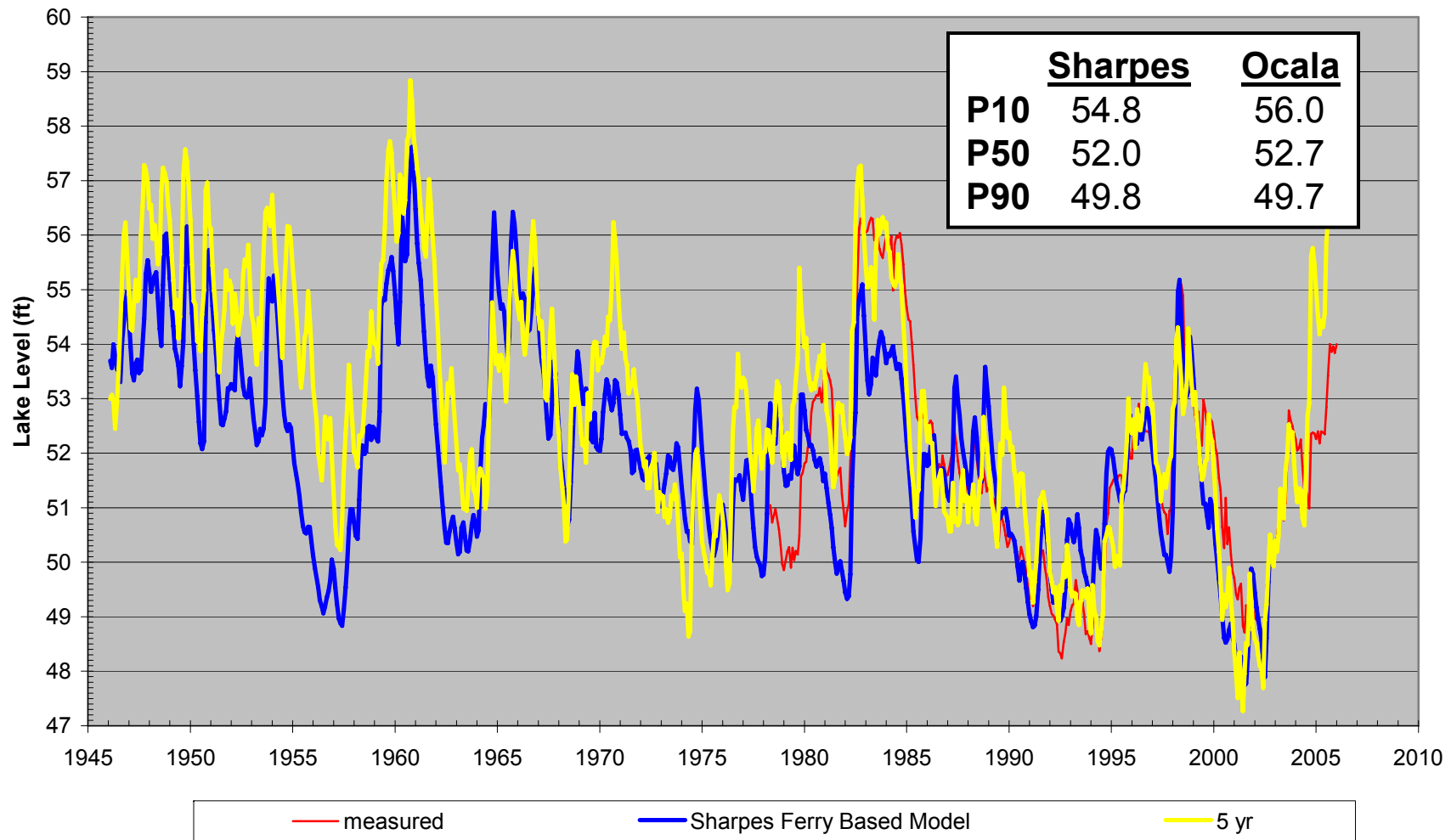
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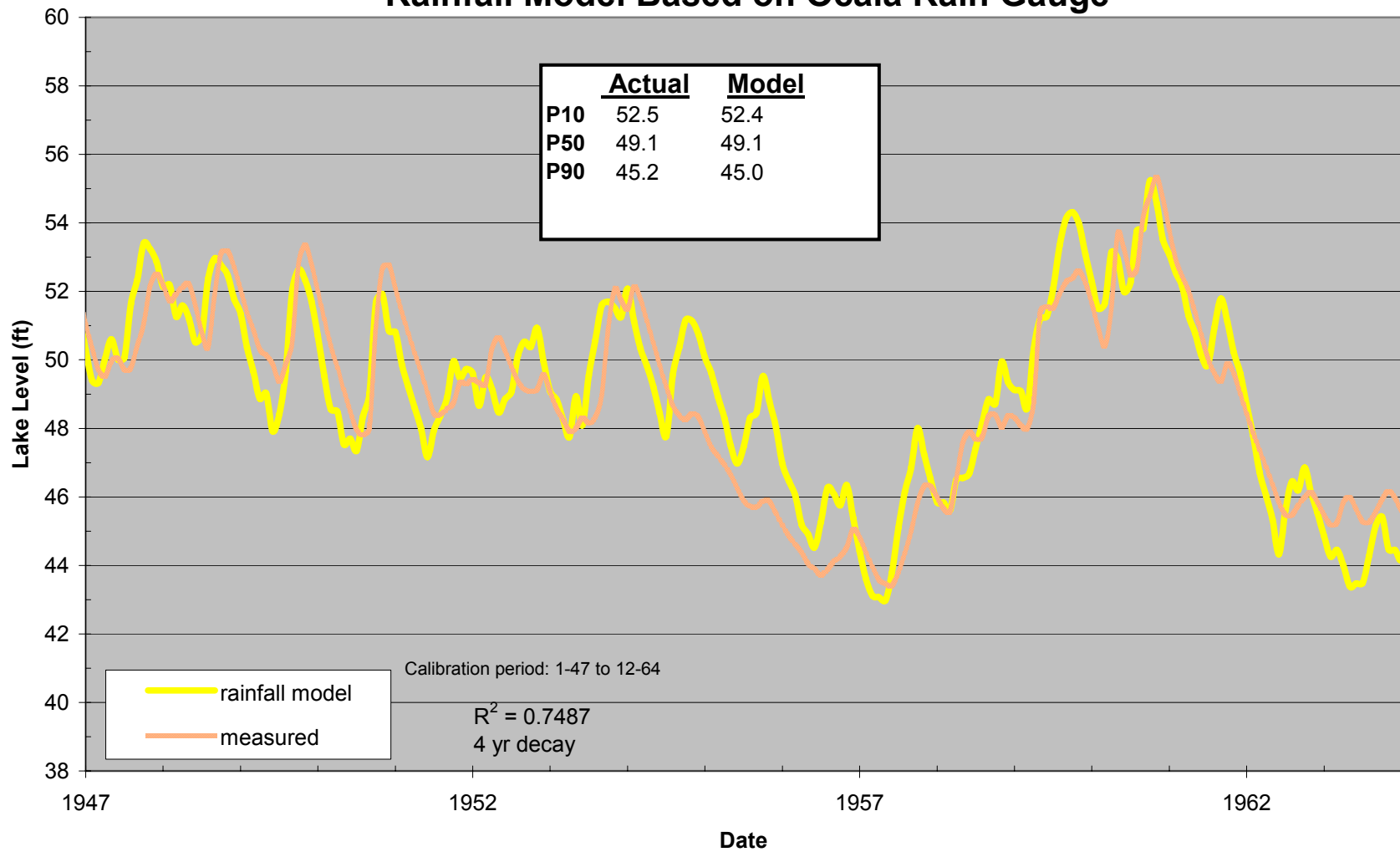
Rainfall Model 60 yr Test

- Model Sharpes Ferry Using Ocala Rainfall
- Use a Portion of Sharpes Ferry Well Data for Calibration
- Run Model and Project Out the Full 60 Years of Available Data
- Keep in Mind Some Changes to Ocklawaha River thus Possibly Some Changes to Sharpes Ferry

Model of Sharpes Ferry Well Using Ocala Rain Calibration Period 1947 - 1964

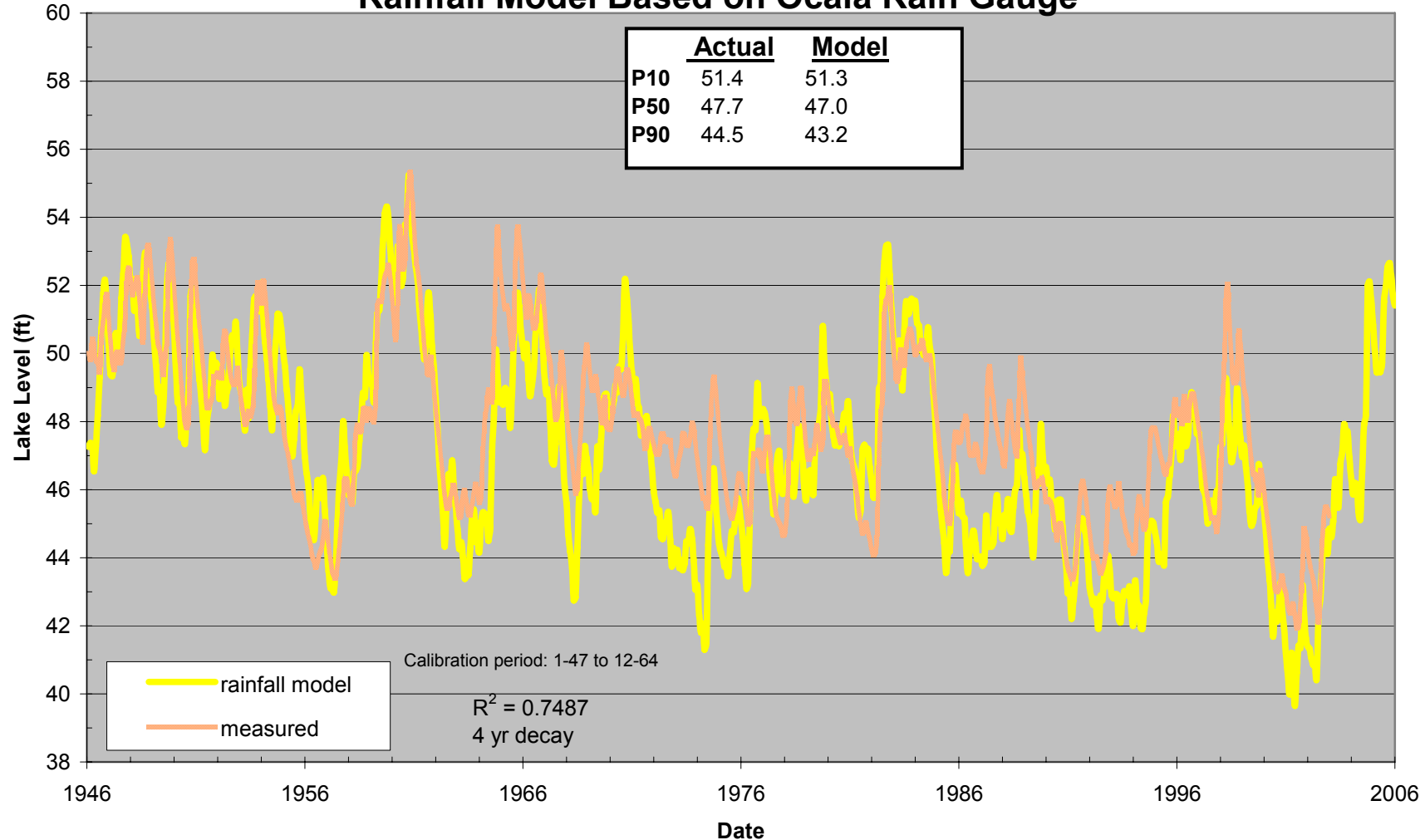
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|-----------------|----------------|---|---|---|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 6 months | 0.10 | -0.20 | 0.17 | 0.19 | 0.20 | 0.17 | 0.19 | 0.56 |
| 1 year | 0.34 | -0.33 | 0.36 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.36 | 0.25 | 0.94 |
| 2 years | 0.59 | -0.14 | 0.00 | -0.23 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 0.23 | 0.37 |
| 3 years | 0.72 | 0.01 | -0.19 | -0.32 | 0.01 | 0.19 | 0.32 | 0.52 |
| 4 years | 0.75 | 0.00 | -0.10 | -0.22 | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.32 |
| 5 years | 0.73 | 0.03 | 0.07 | -0.33 | 0.03 | 0.07 | 0.33 | 0.43 |
| 6 years | 0.70 | 0.07 | -0.03 | -0.35 | 0.07 | 0.03 | 0.35 | 0.45 |
| 7 years | 0.68 | 0.36 | -0.06 | -0.20 | 0.36 | 0.06 | 0.20 | 0.62 |
| 8 years | 0.66 | 0.31 | -0.10 | -0.22 | 0.31 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.64 |
| 9 years | 0.61 | 0.31 | -0.05 | -0.26 | 0.31 | 0.05 | 0.26 | 0.61 |
| 10 years | 0.55 | 0.26 | -0.01 | -0.27 | 0.26 | 0.01 | 0.27 | 0.53 |
| Minimum | 0.10 | | | | | | | 0.32 |
| Maximum | 0.75 | | | | | | | 0.94 |

Sharpes Ferry West Fldn Water Level Models Rainfall Model Based on Ocala Rain Gauge

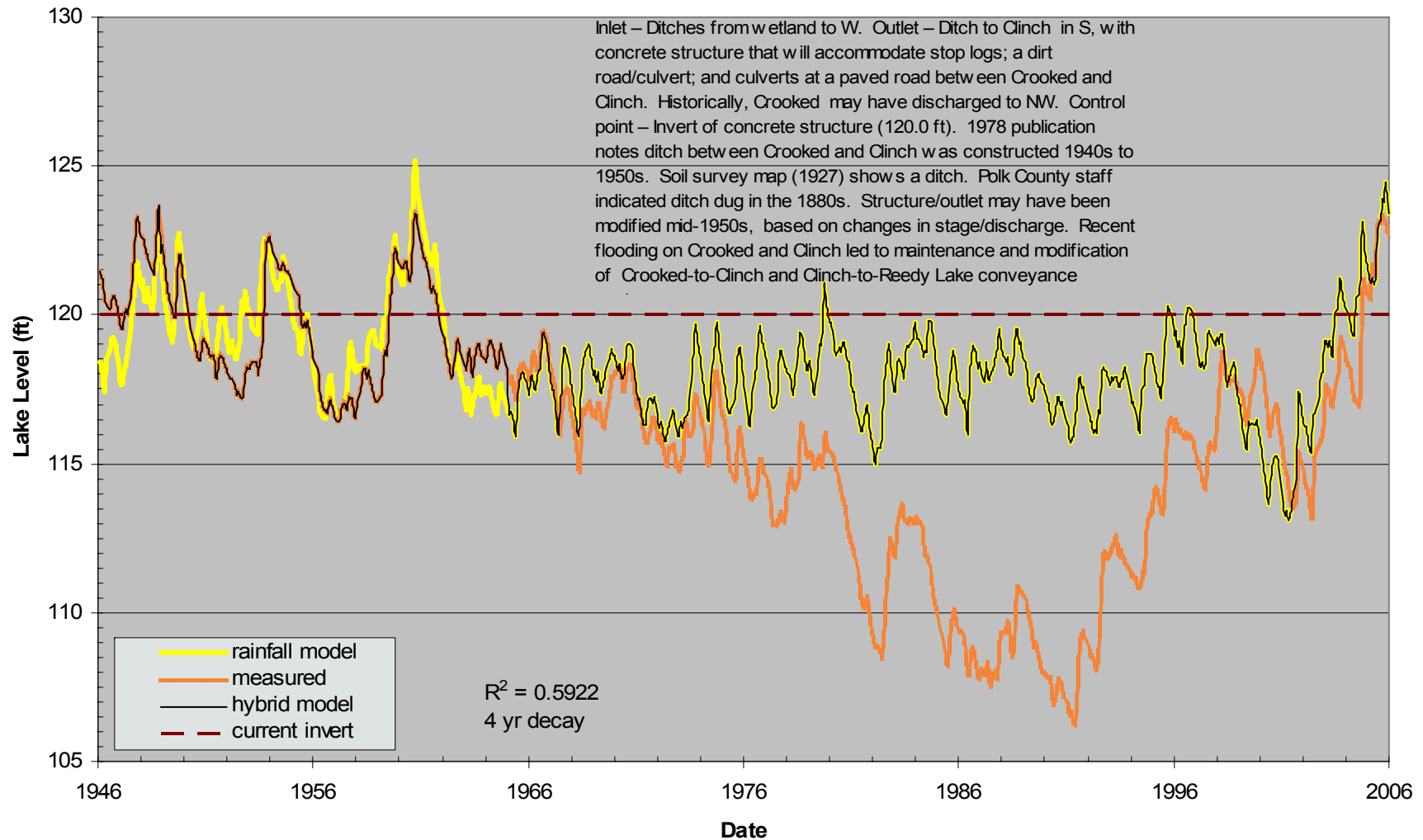


Sharpes Ferry West Fldn Water Level Models

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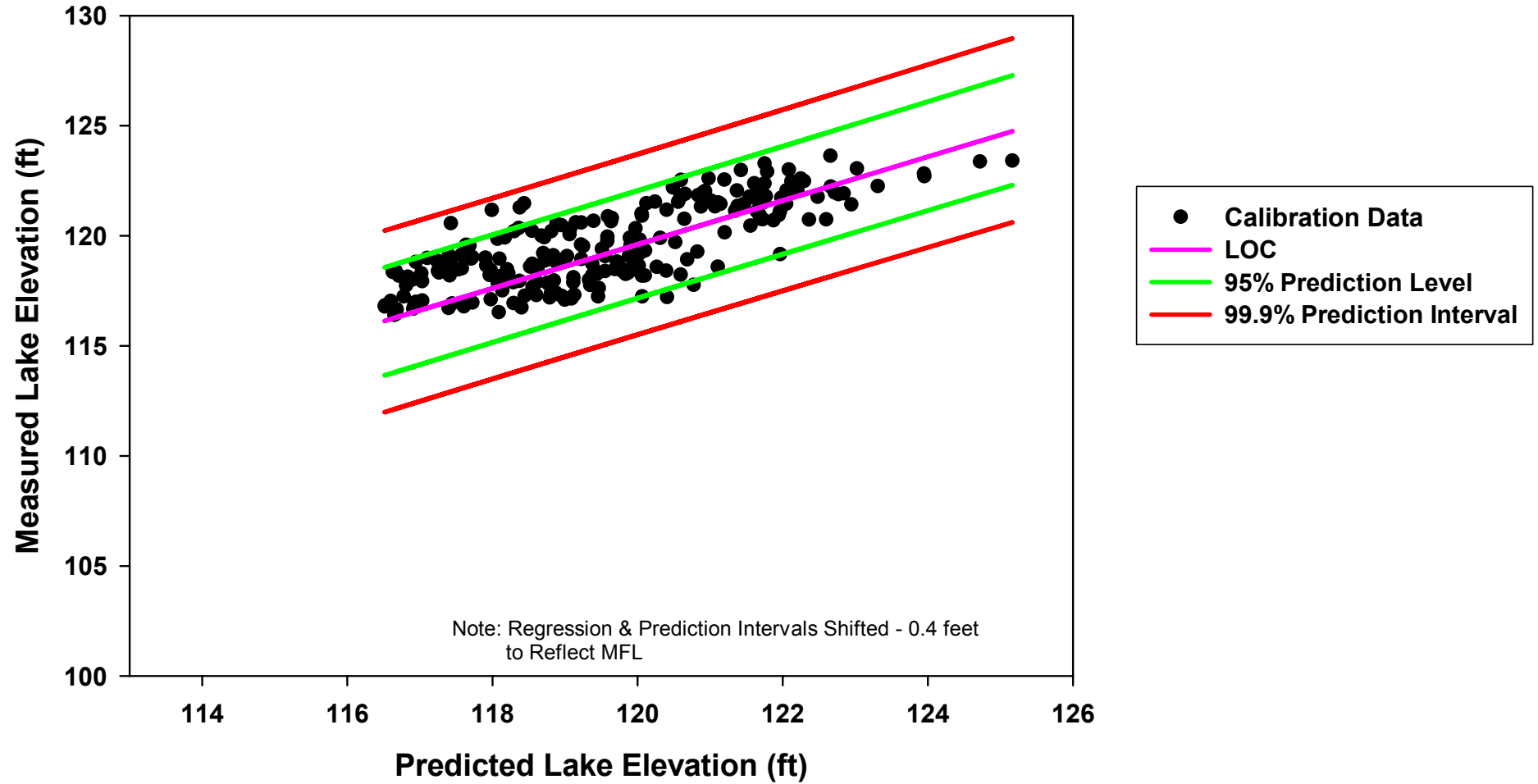
Crooked Water Level Models Rainfall Model Based on Mountain Lake Rain Gage



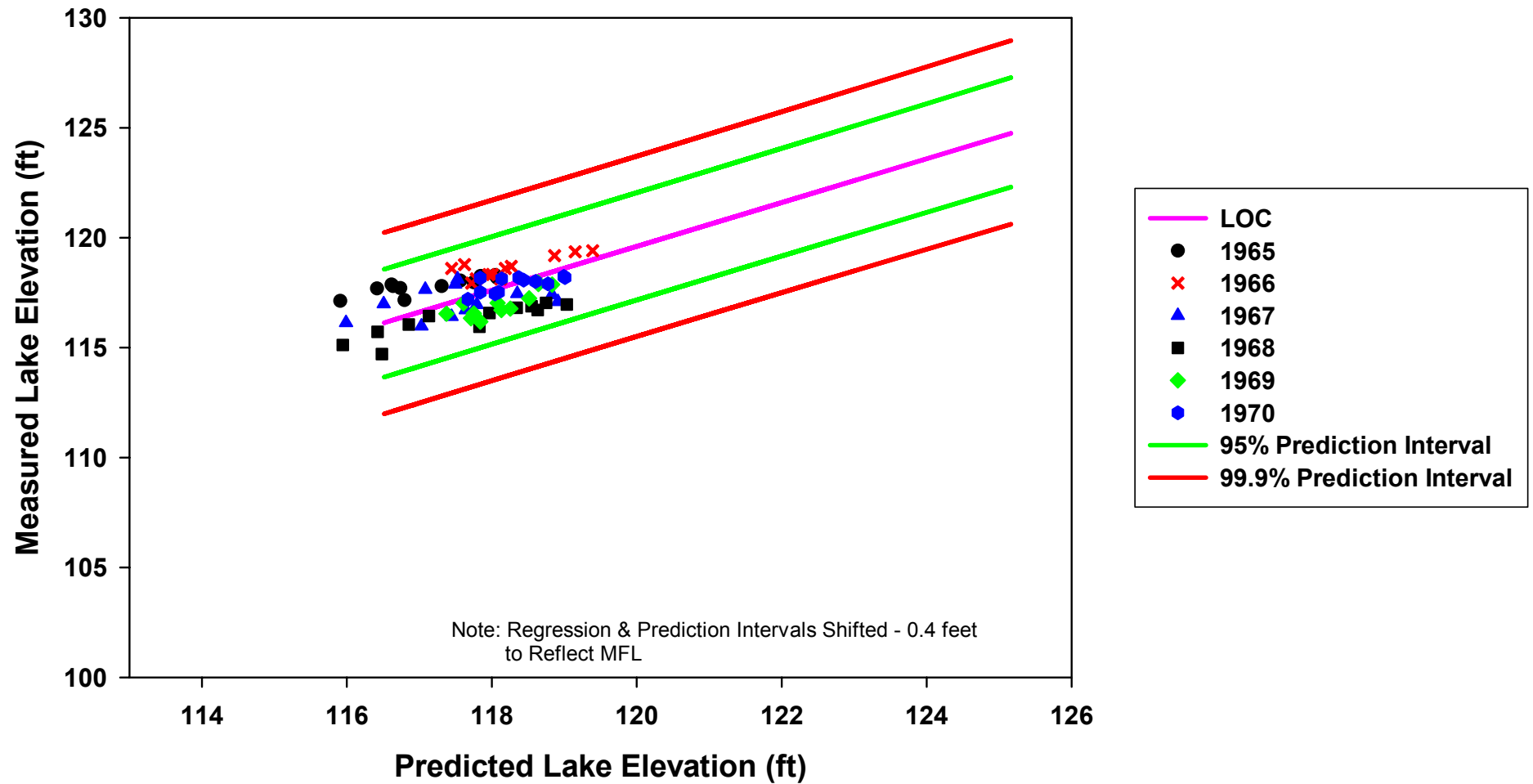
Future Discussion

Evaluation of Compliance Based on Climatic Conditions

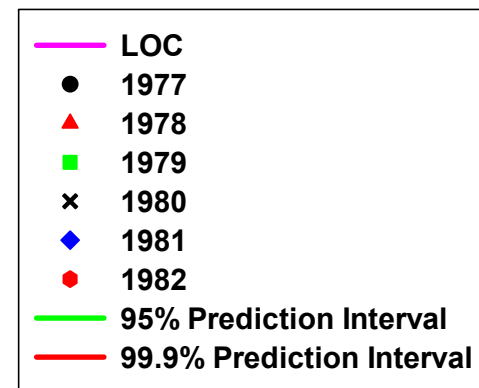
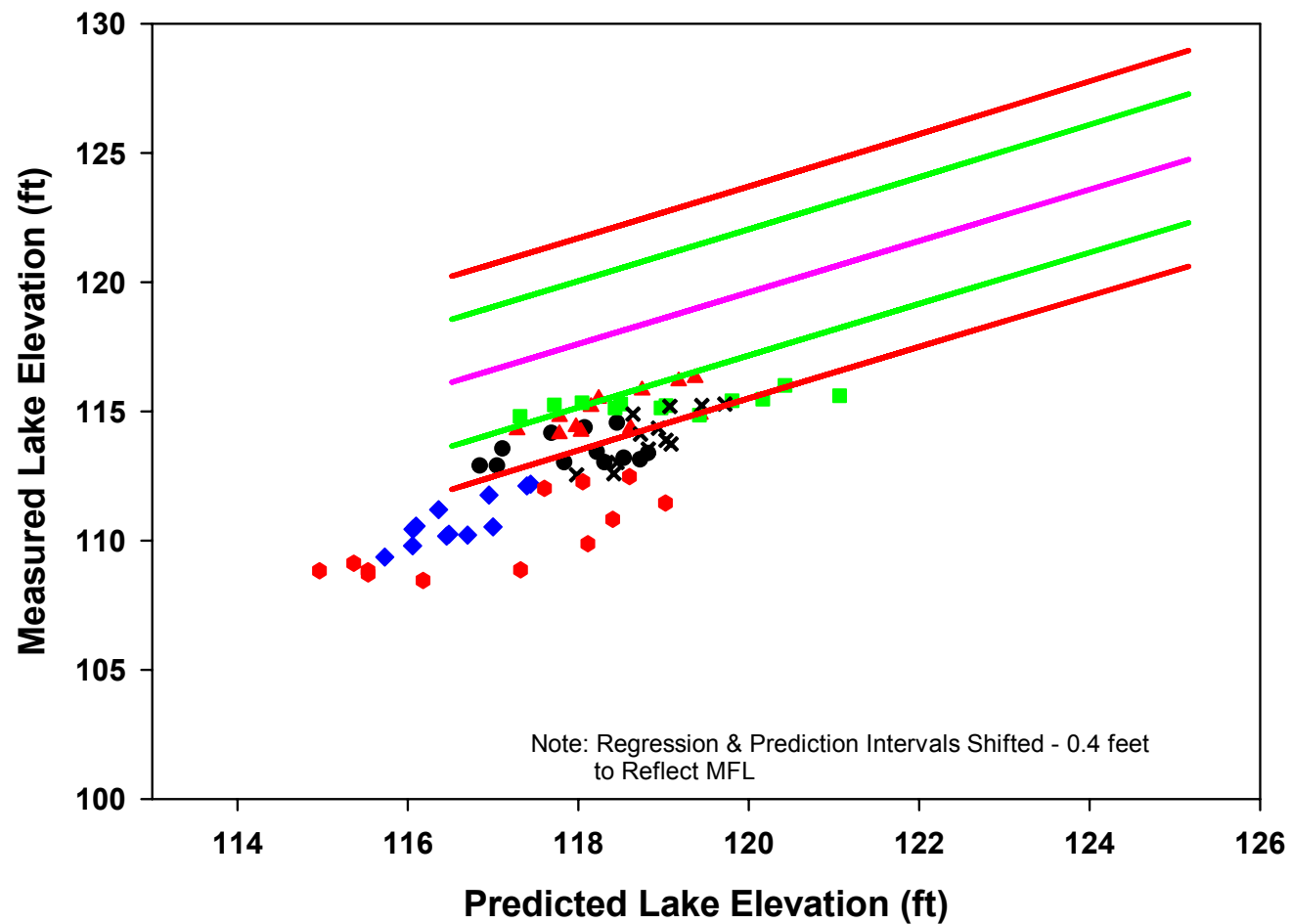
Crooked Lake Calibration Period 1946 - 1964



Crooked Lake 1965 - 1970



Crooked Lake 1977 - 1982



Crooked Lake 2001 - 2005

